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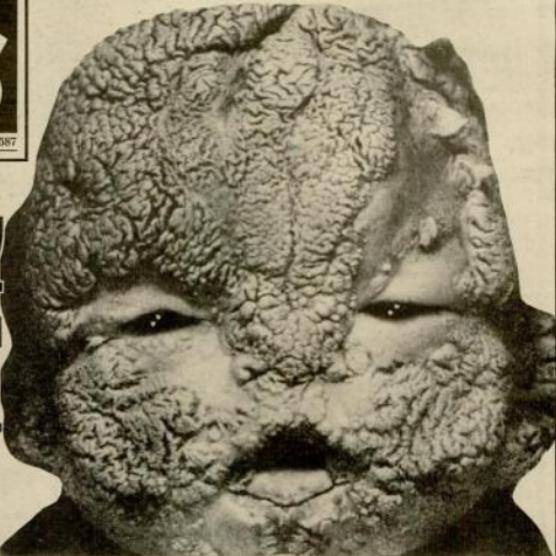
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Our No. 1-rated psychic's holiday gift — exclusively for NEWS readers

You can play the lottery with confidence and maybe even hit the jackpot with Countess Sophia Sabak's lucky number guide for Christmas!

It's her holiday gift to you — and finding your lucky numbers is easy.

All you have to do is look them up under your sun sign below.

After painstaking study of the powerful signs in the heavens, the Countess has determined that these numbers are all charged with star power that can work magic for you.

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For a personal touch that you won't find in any other number guide, Countess Sabak suggests that you play the day of the month you were born along with the numbers she provides.

For example, if you were born May 15,

"Most people realize that their birth

"Most people realize that their birth dates are special. I want to put that special number to work," the Countess says. "When a birth date is used with my numbers, the individual will have a combination that is theirs alone."

Should you need additional numbers, simply consult Countess Sabak's Lucky Lottery Numbers guide on page 41.

ARIES: (Mar. 21-Apr. 19) 6, 8, 22, birth date.
11, 22, 31, birth date.

A black and white portrait of a woman with short, dark hair, looking slightly to her left. She is framed by a circular wreath of leaves and berries. The initials 'GP' are visible at the bottom right of the wreath.

MERRY CHRISTMAS to my wonderful readers . . . from the Countess.

Judge admits: I can't make it on my \$89G salary

A federal judge resigned his job to enter private law practice — complaining that he can't live on \$89,000 a year!

"Eighty-nine thousand dollars isn't enough to put four children through private colleges," Judge Raul Ramirez, 45, told reporters in Sacramento, Calif.

"As you well know, the cost of a private college starts at around \$15,000. I've got four children in college." — DEAN JACKSON

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'That old battle-ax couldn't keep her hands off me'

LADY BOSS FIRES MAN WHO SPURNED

By LAUREL BOWIE

Handsome bachelor Hans Hubel used to snicker when gals griped about sexual harassment in the office.

But hapless Hans quit laughing the day he went to work for a tubby, bucktoothed old maid who constantly pinched him and pawed him — and finally fired him because he refused to make love to her!

"Now I know how the ladies feel when some old buzzard is always drooling over them at work, treating them like playthings," the former soccer star told reporters in Stuttgart, West Germany.

"It's no joke. That old battle-

ax made my life a living hell."

"She couldn't keep her hands off me and she kept whispering lewd suggestions in my ear, trying to get me into bed with her. But she was so

HER!

ugly, I just couldn't stoop that low, not to save my job — and probably not even to save my life."

Harried Hans, 35, was a happy-go-lucky salesman for a home siding company till love-starved Selma Hogue, 53, took over the office where he worked.

"She was a wrinkled old bag who was totally unfit to run an office, but her brother owned the company so we were stuck with her," the sacked salesman recalled.

"The first thing she did was invite me up to her apartment, supposedly to discuss business.

But I wasn't there 10 minutes before she strolled out of the bedroom in this ghastly shorty nightgown with her fat, hairy arms and legs sticking out all over the place.

"I got the hell out of there, but on my way out the door she informed me it was going to happen sooner or later if I didn't tell her to feed my job."

After that, Hans' tweedy boss never gave him a moment's peace. "There wasn't a day that she didn't come up and pinch my behind and run her hands under my shirt," the embarrassed bachelor said. And when

LOVE-STARVED Selma Hogue conned handsome male employee who refused to romance her.

Hans continued to deflect her advances, slovenly Selma turned down right nasty.

"She demoted me to inside salesman and took away my company car and credit cards," he recalled. "And before long the pig-faced witch had me waiting on her like a slave — bringing her tea, typing her letters, even rubbing her feet."

"Finally, I told her I'd never make love to her no matter what — and that's when she fired me."

Harassed Hans sued the siding firm and won \$23,000 in damages and back pay.



BACHELOR Hans Hubel won \$23,000 suit.



Kid kills brother #2, say cops

By JACK ALEXANDER

A trigger-happy teenage kid has shot and killed one of his brothers — for the second time in four years, cops said.

Baby-faced Britt Kellum is being held for murder in the Russian roulette shooting of his brother, Lewis, 6, in their Flint, Mich., home.

The shooting occurred almost four years to the day after Britt gunned down his 11-year-old brother, Anthony, with a shotgun during an argument.

"He wasn't prosecuted for Anthony's death and we know now that was a horrible mistake," said Police Lt. Joe DeCatch.

The latest tragedy happened while Britt and Lewis were in the bedroom of their father's home.

"Britt decided to play Russian roulette with his little brother's life," said DeCatch.

"Britt said he was bored and felt like doing something fun and exciting, so he grabbed his dad's .38-caliber revolver and forced his little brother to play the deadly game with him," said DeCatch.

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"From what we under-

stand, the victim was a reluctant participant."

Four years ago Britt blew his 11-year-old brother away with his dad's shotgun. Authorities declined to prosecute and Britt was ordered to undergo psychological therapy.

Six months ago, a psychologist said Britt was no longer a menace. He was allowed to go home and live with the rest of the family full-time.

"I guess he thinks the shrinks should have kept him in those therapy sessions awhile longer," said one cop, who declined to be quoted by name.

Lt. DeCatch described the young sus-

pect as "cool as a cucumber." "He's so calm and remorseless, it's scary," said another officer.

A judge refused to release Britt on bail, fearing for the safety of his only brother who still is alive, Duncan, 5. Relatives declined to talk about the case. "We've got one little boy dead and another one behind bars," one relative told *The NEWS*. "This is a pretty bad house, right now."

Under Michigan law, the teenage suspect can't be tried for murder as an adult. At worst, he could be confined in a juvenile detention center until he's 21.

Outraged neighbors up in arms!

HOMEOWNER PANHANDLES IN HIS OWN FRONT YARD!

By JACK ALEXANDER

Retiree Chester Claussen says his \$250-a-week income isn't enough for him to live on so he stands in his yard almost every day and begs for more.

Claussen's disgusted neighbors think he's a disgrace, "and cheapens the whole neighborhood."

But Claussen, 76, says he and his wife need \$75, the money.

For several weeks — rain or shine — he has been begging for money from motorists and others who pass by his small home in a middle-class neighborhood in Indianapolis, Ind., where he has lived more than 20 years.

He catches the eye of passersby with signs like, "Please we need money. Thank you" or

Old pensioner sometimes begs from a wheelchair

"Please We Need Med. Help. Hosp. & Doc. God Bless & Thank You."

"I really don't care what the neighbors say," said the old pensioner. "They aren't paying my bills. It's legal what I'm doing."

Neighbors say they've tried to help him.

"We've offered food, but he doesn't want food," said one dis-

PENSIONER Chester Claussen says he needs money and he's found a way to get it — he begs for it. On a good day, Chester says he collects \$75.

grunted neighbor. "He wants money. He sells the canned goods that people give him."

Another neighbor said Claussen sometimes begs from a wheelchair or leaning on a cane — especially on paydays and after church.

Claussen said he retired after 20 years as a state employee. He gets \$766 from Social Security and \$231.89 from a

pension for a total monthly income of \$997.89. But his expenses total \$817.

"I try real hard. I pay my bills regularly, but there's not much left to live on," said Claussen, whose wife Sandra, 48, suffers from epilepsy and can't work.

"There's no way we can get by for a month on what's left over, especially with the medical bills we're expecting," he

said. So the tall, lanky retiree has taken up begging. On a good day, he'll make \$75. On a bad day, maybe \$5.

Claussen says he makes too much money to qualify for welfare or any of the other "free stuff."

Mary Stull, a counselor at a multiservices center says she is going to find out if anything can be done for him.

How to rub your fat away

By BEATRICE DEXTER

Tubby tummies will soon be a thing of the past, thanks to a new weight-loss method that lets you lose inches off your middle — simply by massaging off the flab!

The simple tummy rub routine will help you drop five pounds a week, according to

Ancient Chinese massage can take inches off your waist

San Francisco acupuncturist Dr. Chen Chang.

"Just rubbing your stomach gives you zip," said Dr. Chang, who wrote a book called *Internal Exercises*. "If you do it

properly, you can break down fatty tissue, strengthen the heart and balance the energy levels in your blood."

Dr. Chang says he bases his tummy technique on an ancient reducing method devised 6,000 years ago in China. The method is still being used in China today, the expert says.

"You should place the palm of your hand over your belly button and begin to rub slowly and lightly in ever-widening, clockwise circles," he said.

"When you have expanded

the circles to cover the entire abdomen, gradually reduce their size again, until you are back to your navel."

A mere two minutes a day of gently rubbing the tummy will have jelly bellies looking sleek and slim in no time, Dr. Chang says. The method helps break down fat and eliminate fat from the body — and it does so by harnessing imagined energy waves.

Dr. Chang advises visualizing energy flowing from your hand into your body.

SIMPLE tummy rub can help you drop up to five pounds a week, says expert Dr. Chen Chang.

King Tut used suntan lotion

Modern civilization has only recently become aware of the sun's harmful rays.

But while ancient Egyptians may have worshipped the sun, they avoided overexposure to its rays like the

plague! They knew thousands of years ago that prolonged exposure would cause premature skin wrinkling so they protected their skin with protective ointments and pastes to shield their eyes.



FIRST PHOTO EVER OF A UFO BABY!

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EXCLUSIVE!**



By RAGAN DUNN

The first photo of a UFO baby that was delivered by Soviet doctors last August has been smuggled to the West. The shocking black-and-white photo clearly shows the boy to be horribly misshapen — with brain tissue outside his head!

The stunning photograph was obtained by Yugoslavian sources and accompanied by classified documents that describe the infant's progress since his August 25 birth.

The papers, signed by Soviet obstetrician Sapar Kurylev, say the baby appears to be both healthy and happy. He is also extremely intelligent, exercises on electricity that he draws out of wall sockets with a strange pronged tongue.

"The infant is remarkable," Dr. Kurylev reported in a memo that was attached to the smuggled photo.

"There is no telling how much we can learn from him as he continues to grow and develop. He can certainly help us to understand the evolu-



BIRTH of the UFO baby was reported in The NEWS on September 5.

tion and abilities of extraterrestrial life."

The actual birth of the alien baby was reported in The NEWS last September 5. At that time we quoted from classified documents that said the baby's mother and eight other

aliens had been rescued from the wreckage of a starship that crashed near Nyda, in Siberia, last July.

The documents went on to say that the infant's birth took Soviet doctors by surprise. There were also indications

SMUGGLED photo of the hideous alien baby shows brain matter growing outside the creature's head.

that the blue-skinned baby had died shortly after birth.

But the photograph and more recent reports suggest that that was not the case.

According to Dr. Kurylev's report, the mother actually appeared to be shocked when she saw the infant's face.

"The mother refused to nurse the baby but that was of no consequence," wrote Dr. Kurylev. "He could crawl at birth and to our surprise almost immediately began to nurse from an electrical socket without any help or effort."

"The baby's flesh is as hard as stone and there is definitely brain tissue on his face and head," continued the doctor. "The only trait he shares with the adult aliens are gleaming black eyes."

"It's possible that his skull will grow as he ages and cover

the brain. If not, the infant will be vulnerable to brain injury as long as he lives."

Large portions of Dr. Kurylev's report have been blocked out so it is impossible to determine where the Soviets are keeping the baby.

No mention of it is made of the mother or other adult aliens, making it impossible to tell if they're dead or alive.

Soviet officials refused to comment on the documents, photo or report. Repeated attempts to reach Dr. Kurylev also failed, as did a series of heavy pressure from UFO researchers in Britain, Europe, China and the United States.

Meanwhile, Swedish UFO researcher Christina Dahlqvist has asked Soviet boss Mikhail Gorbachev to release information about the alien baby "before the end of the year."

Creature could crawl at birth and nurses from an electric socket

Sicko rapes paralyzed gal

A 31-year-old man asked a paralyzed woman out on a date — and then raped the helpless quadriplegic after she kissed him good night!

Now a jury has found him guilty of rape and aggravated sodomy, and the heartless sicko is facing life in prison for his crimes.

"They kissed, things got out of hand, and she couldn't defend herself," Assistant District Attorney Tom Barr of Kansas City, Kan., told *The NEWS*. "It was a date rape."

"The assailant, Felti El Ayadi, tried to say it was an act of love and she agreed to it — but he wasn't believable."

The 28-year-old victim, who was not identified, testified that she had met Ayadi at a restaurant while she was dining with her grandmother. The wheelchair-bound woman has been paralyzed since an automobile accident at the age of 14 damaged her spinal cord.

The woman told the court that Ayadi seemed like a "real nice guy" when he introduced himself. She agreed to go out with him a few days later, to meet another couple for drinks.

"Afterwards he drove her back to where her specialty

**She's yanked out
of wheelchair after
a good-night kiss**

equipped van was parked," Bath said.

"She kissed him good night. He took her out of her wheelchair and put her in the back of her van. Then he raped her and sodomized her."

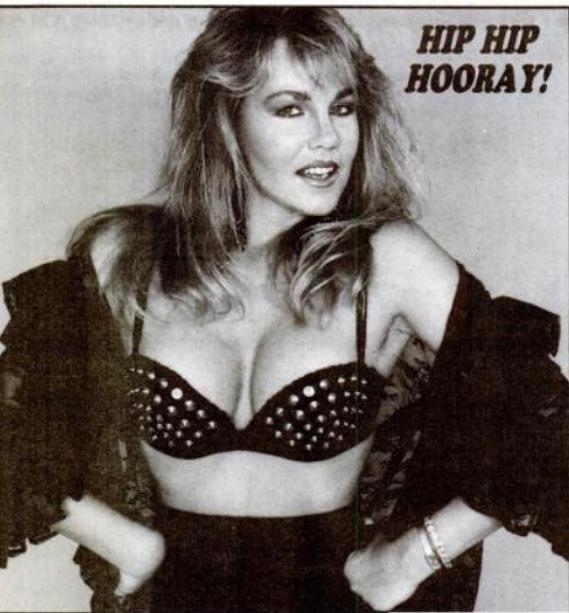
"I was 'no,'" the woman testified. "The next thing I knew, I was thrown on the floor of the van."

Bath said that after the attack, the woman begged to be put back in her wheelchair so she could drive herself home.

The next morning she told her nurse's aide about the attack. She later went to police.

Bath said the victim is in therapy and is doing well.

— SUSAN JIMISON



HIP HIP
HOORAY!

Sweet news for chocolate lovers

A new survey reveals that the eight most popular chocolate candies in America are:

Snickers Bar, Reese's Peanut

Butter Cup, M & M Plain, M &

M Peanut, Hershey Kisses,

Kit-Kat and Milky Way Bar (they tied), and Hershey Milk Chocolate Bar.

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Mutt was so-o-o cranky, he was kicked out of obedience school!

Bulldog bully bitten by love

... now he's tame as a kitten!

By RIKI MOSS

Spike was such a big, bad bully of a bulldog that he was banned from obedience school, but the four-legged troublemaker has finally been tamed — by love!

Nearly eight months ago, Bill Wright, an insurance agent living in Huddersfield, England, plunked down \$1,500 for the plucky 18-month-old pooch.

"But when I entered Spike in a dog show," Wright said, "he snarled at other dogs in the show ring and tried to bite them."

"I enrolled him in one obedience school but he pinned one of the trainers against a wall for 15 minutes and was expelled.

"Then I put him in another class run by two ladies, but they told me not to bring him back again after he terrified one of them by grabbing her blouse and refusing to let go.

"I couldn't think of what to do, but then a friend suggested that getting a female bulldog might be the answer."

So Wright shelled out another \$1,500 for Elsie, a 2-year-old champion bulldog — and it was instant love at first sight.

"Spike suddenly became a gentle, well-behaved dog," said Wright.

"He never lets her out of his sight, and she was there when we won first prize at a local dog show.

"She shares his sleeping quarters, and we're hoping that sometime soon they'll mate and have a family."

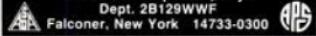
BRUIISING Spike was a big troublemaker until he met pug-faced cutie Elsie, right, and settled down.

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Elephant woman blamed for granddaughter's deformity

IT'S NOT MY FAULT!

By SUSAN JIMISON

Ailing grandmother Edwina Reeves has disfiguring Elephant Man's disease, but the real tragedy in her life is that she cannot see her two granddaughters — because her son has banned her from his home!

The heartbroken housewife has been forbidden to see Jessica, 5, and Charlotte, 10, for the past five years. Her only son Alan blames her because Jessica inherited her terrible disease.

"I have enough to cope with in life without my own son turning against me," said Edwina, 59, who has never met Jessica and hasn't seen Charlotte in five years.

"Five years ago I thought I was the only one in the world with this weird disease. Now my own granddaughter has it. Jessica has already lost an eye, and her face is drooping. He has given me no reason for blaming me."

Edwina didn't show severe signs of her rare disease — called neurofibromatosis — until she was 22 years old. It was then that her face began to swell and twist into a mass of bulging flesh. By that time she had already married and had her son, who inherited a milder form of the disease.

She had the lumpy growths surgically removed, but they grew back. Eventually she lost the sight of one eye, and the bulging growth of nerve tissue destroyed the muscles in her face, making further surgery impossible.

When Alan married and had little Charlotte, a healthy girl — Edwina believed he must not have a second child for fear it might carry the disease. "But he dismissed that as nonsense



Her son has banned ailing Edwina Reeves from his home because he blames her for passing on tragic disfiguring disease to little Jessica.



TRAGIC Jessica Reeve, 5, inherited neurofibromatosis from her granny.

FISHY STORY

A father and son were arrested on their first fishing trip together when authorities caught them with 27 undersized bass!

Polvio Aresta, 76, and his son John said they planned to throw the fish back. But police in Miller, Conn., didn't buy it.

If convicted of taking the illegal fish, the duo could be imprisoned and fined.

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My own son has turned against me, says heartbroken granny

and went ahead," Edwina said in Cambridgeshire, England. "When Jessica was born with the disease, I tried to go to the hospital. But Alan said no. Since then he has prevented me from seeing my grandchildren. If I call him, he just says 'yes' or 'no' and puts the

phone down. When I send the children presents, his wife Mary tries to send them back. They are naturally very upset and need to blame someone. But he is the one to blame. He ignored my advice and gave this affliction to Jessica."

Gulp! Tots drink antifreeze 'lemonade'

A distraught dad realized too late that the light green liquid he gave his twin toddlers to drink wasn't lemonade as he had thought — but antifreeze!

The unidentified 18-month-old girls were rushed to a hospital in Seat Pleasant, Md., and arrived semiconscious with breathing difficulties. They

are expected to recover fully, doctors said.

Police say the girls' mother had been given a plastic jug of antifreeze which she left on the kitchen table. The chil-

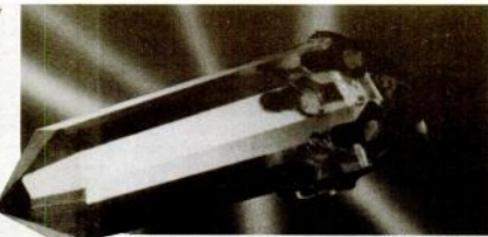
dren's father — thinking it was juice — put it in the refrigerator and served it to his babies several days later.

"It was an honest mistake," said police Sgt. Bruce Elliot.

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Hanky-panky hypnotist lured beauties into bed

By TINO DORADO in Lisbon

Fourteen women complained to authorities after they went to see a hypnotist for help in quitting smoking — and were mesmerized into having sex!

Dr. Antonio Carmona, 46, of Lisbon, Portugal, has been charged with assault and unprofessional conduct as a result of the shocking accounts given by the women.

"After the first visit to Dr. Carmona I was helpless to resist him," said one patient, businesswoman Tula Spinola, 27. "Whenever he asked me for sex, I agreed."

Police in Lisbon say they've traced complaints back eleven years, when Dr. Carmona opened his practice as a hypnotist in 1978, specializing in helping patients break bad habits. He successfully cured a number of smokers, compulsive eaters and anorexics, police say, but he also seduced a number of his most attractive patients.

According to police, Dr. Carmona used the same technique

with each of his victims. When a pretty woman turned up at his office, he would ask her to lie down on his couch and undergo hypnosis. The women say that as soon as they were under Dr. Carmona's spell they were asked by Dr. Carmona to sit on his lap. They say the hypnotist explained to them that this close physical contact was necessary to strengthen the effects of the therapy.

"I knew it was wrong, but I

did what he asked anyway," said Mrs. Spinola, a mother of two. "He was fat and had bushy hair. He was unappealing but I followed his orders."

"I sat on his lap and I remember blanking out. When I came to, my clothes were rumpled and my buttons were undone. I knew he'd had his way with me, but I didn't have any memory of it."

Mrs. Spinola says she was hypnotized into returning for "treatments" every week for three years, although she was ashamed of her sexual contacts with Dr. Carmona. She finally became so depressed over her behavior that she tried to kill herself, she said.

When her husband learned the true cause of her depression, he took her to the police to tell her story.

"We had had scores of complaints about Dr. Carmona," said police spokesman Fran-



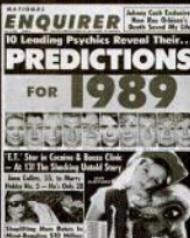
UNDER A SPELL: Tula Spinola spilled the beans.

cisco Antunes. "Thanks to Mrs. Spinola, we've got him."

Dr. Carmona faces 27 years in prison if he is convicted on the assault charge.

Pyramids built by high-priced help

Egypt's pyramids apparently were not built by slaves, but crafted by well-paid tradesmen. Archaeologists digging near King Cheops' pyramid found the words, "The Craftsman Gang" scrawled on a stone.



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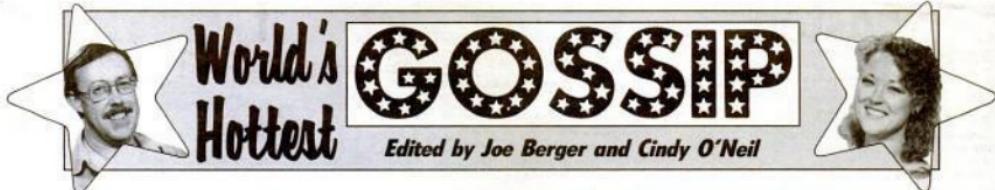
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Elvis stunk to high heaven & even wet his pants!

Pill-popping rocker **Elvis Presley** was so hooked on drugs he refused to bathe for months on end, he often wet his pants — and he stunk to high heaven!

Before the pills finally killed him, a fat and frightened Elvis lost his ability to make love — and had so many brushes with death his pals made bets on when and where the rock 'n' roll legend would meet his Maker.

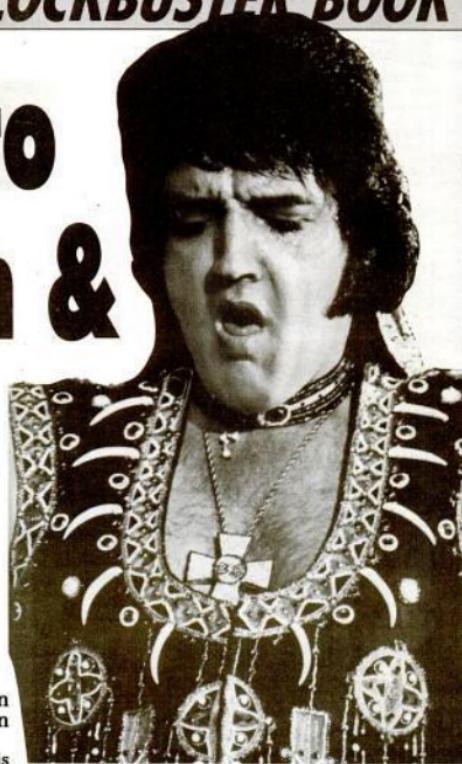
Investigative reporters Charlie Thompson and Jim Cole make these and other shocking revelations in a startling, soon-to-be published book called *Elvis, Dead on Arrival*.

Thompson, a producer at *60 Minutes*, and veteran newsmen Cole spent more

than 10 years researching and writing what could be the most accurate — and heartbreaking — Elvis book ever.

Among the authors' most jolting disclosures:

• The shattered singer died from an



FRIENDS bet on when and where Elvis would die, books says.

Drugged-out King never took a bath and couldn't make love, say insiders

overdose of prescription drugs and nothing else — despite an official report claiming "heart problems" contributed to his death.

• Pals and loyal employees were so sure Elvis was going to OD on drugs

they had a plan to smuggle his body back to Memphis if he died somewhere else — figuring it would be easier to

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Springsteen gives band the boot

covered up the circumstances of his death in Florida, where Elvis was everbody's teddy boy.

• Despite a girlfriend's claim that "The King was reading *The Shroud of Turin* when he died in 1977, he was actually peering at a "really raunchy piece of pornography."

• The spaced-out superstar went for months without a bath and had trouble controlling his bodily functions.

• The faded Romeo was so concerned about his impotence that he took regular hormone injections in a desperate but futile bid to regain his virility. — *New York Daily News*.

★ ★ ★

Even in the Kremlin, there's at least one person with a sense of humor.

Seems actor Peter Ustinov was working as a documentary about Russia and asked a secretary to dig up some info on Lenin, the old Russkie revolutionary. The lady telezed Moscow, but misspelled the name "Lenon."

Back came the Russian reply: "We know nothing about Lennon. Try Yoko One." — *New York Post*.

★ ★ ★

Good guy Paul Newman donated \$250,000 to victims of the San Francisco earthquake — and also chipped in 10,000 pounds of his own spaghetti sauce to help feed the homeless. — *New Orleans Times-Picayune*.

★ ★ ★

Bossman Bruce Springsteen has apparently dumped his remedial E Street band, leaving his old buddies he won't be using them on his new album.

The raja of rock told E Streeters, who've been plunking along behind him for 15 years, to "feel free to pursue other things." — *Miami Herald*.

★ ★ ★

Former 007 Sean Connery says it took

a throat operation to make him see just how dumb some folks are.

"After I had throat surgery, I had a card made saying 'Sorry, I cannot speak. I have a problem with my throat,'" Sean recalled. "It was only when some people wrote messages back on the card that I realized the world is full of idiots." — *London Sun*.

★ ★ ★

Softhearted superstar Michael Jackson gave 4-year-old leukemia victim Darian Pagan the thrill of a lifetime when he took the tragic tot to a three-ring circus.

The Brooklyn boy and his family flew to Santa Monica, Calif., to meet up with

'World is full of idiots,' fumes Sean Connery

Michael courtesy of a charity that makes dying kids' dreams come true.

"He's shy just like me," the reclusive crooner said later. "It makes me proud that this is his dream. I'm happy to fulfill it." — *Fort Lauderdale Sun-Sentinel*.

★ ★ ★

Princess Di is a dyed-in-the-wool Neil Diamond buff, so when she heard Neil was headed to London for a concert, she did what any red-blooded blueblood would do — she went begging.

Di rushed off a handwritten note to the ballad maker's L.A. home, gushing about how she's been a fan since she was a kid and asking for two tickets to the show. She signed the letter, "Love, Diana."

Surprise, surprise — the shameless

lady got her tickets. — *Reno Gazette Journal*.

★ ★ ★

Effervescent Eddie Murphy has the nuttiest laugh in show biz, followed by Phyllis Diller, Roseanne Barr and Pee-wee Herman tied for third.

That's according to a poll conducted by the Hostess folks to introduce a new something-or-other called a Nutty Ho Ho. See how it all ties in? — *Dallas Times Herald*.

★ ★ ★

Somebody wanted to know why delirious Dolly Parton jumped at the chance to star in *Steel Magnolias*.

"I thought I could play the part of a country girl with a Southern accent real good," Miss Dolly replied. — *Montreal Gazette*.

★ ★ ★

Relieved Ringo Starr has won a court order permanently banning the release of a 1987 album he claims he recorded "in an alcoholic haze."

The Beatle drummer boy says the results were so bad he'd be embarrassed to unleash the record on the public. — *New York Post*.

★ ★ ★

Italian Parliament member Ilona Staller — better known as porn movie queen Cicciolina — is throwing a hissy fit because our government won't let her into the country.

Shapey Cicciolina woofed leering male voters by campaigning topless and would-be members of our government — just barely, you might. Now she can't figure out why stodgy bureaucrats won't give her a visa to visit America.

"I'm surprised at the American government for not being open enough to let me in," said the former first lady of lust. "I appeal to President Bush to let me visit." — *Vancouver Province*.



DEBBIE Harry says she'll never hitchhike again.

Pop goddess Debbie Harry recalls close encounter with Ted Bundy!

Pop goddess Deborah Harry still gets chills down her spine thinking about the day she hitched a ride in New York City

— and came face to face with sadistic serial killer Ted Bundy!

At least, dazzling Debbie's concerned the guy who lured her into his car was Bundy — the man who abducted and murdered dozens of women before being fried in Florida's electric chair.

The former lead singer for the rock band Blondie says she was trying to catch a cab late one night in the early 70s when a fellow pulled up in a little white car and insisted on giving her a ride.

"I got in the car, and it was summertime and the windows were all rolled up except about an inch and a half at the top," Debbie recalled with a shudder.

"Automatically, I sort of reached to roll down the window and I realized there was no door handle, no window crank, nothing."

"I got very nervous. I reached my arm out through the little crack and stretched down and opened the car from the outside."

"As soon as he saw that, he tried to turn the corner really fast, and I spun out of the car and landed in the middle of the street."

Sexy Debbie, who's given us a string of hits like *Heart of Glass*, *Call Me* and *Rapture*, said she didn't realize until she read about Bundy's execution last year that she'd escaped the clutches of one of the world's most evil men.

"A whole description of how he operated and what he looked like and the kind of car he drove and the time frame he was doing it in — that area of the country — fit exactly," she said.

"I'm one of the lucky ones. If there are any others, I don't know. I think it was the first and last time I ever hitchhiked." — *Miami Herald*.



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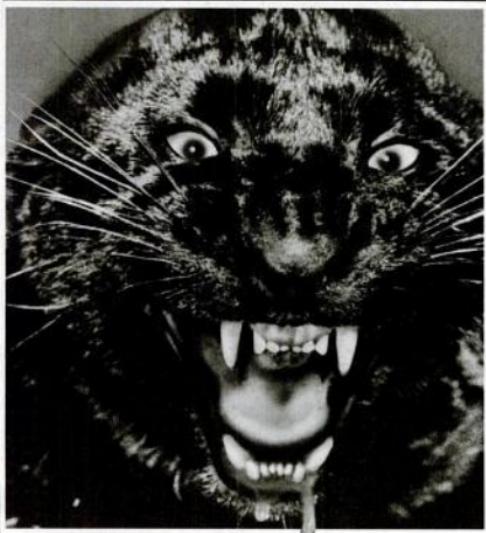
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2-YR.-OLD GIRL RAISED BY PANTHER



VICIOUS-LOOKING cat like this one became an abandoned baby's loving mom!

... now she's learning to live as a human, say rescuers

By OTIS DANIELS

A 2-year-old girl who was mothered from infancy by a wild panther has been taken to a rehabilitation center where she is rapidly learning to behave like a human, Indian news agencies report.

Dr. Devendra Ghosh, who heads up the department of special education at the Delhi clinic, told reporters that the child is "healthy, happy and making progress by the hour."

Although the entire story of her life might never be known, he said the evidence suggests she was abandoned shortly after birth and raised by a lone female panther.

"She is smart as a whip and is adapting to her new life beautifully," said Dr. Ghosh.

"The key word is adapt — in my opinion, her contact with humans has been minimal. When she arrived from the jungle, her manner, movements and thinking were that of a wild jungle cat, even though she appears to be at least 30 months old."

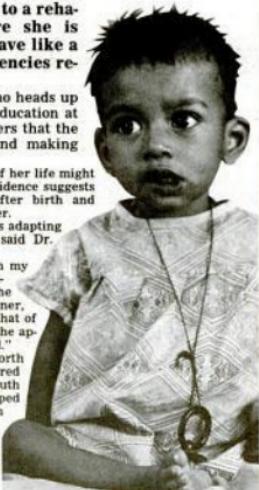
Jhansi is a small town in north central India. The girl was captured in the forest about 50 miles south by loggers who found her slumped over a dead female panther in mid-May, the press said. Jayanti Banswal, a village medic, said the loggers delivered the girl to him thinking that she was lost and perhaps retarded.

"These are not educated men, so you can imagine what they thought when they caught this little girl in the jungle," he said.

"Her hair was long and matted. She was in reasonably good physical condition, but the only sounds she made were growls. At rest, she would hunker down, letting her arms drape to the ground."

Banswal said he called the Delhi clinic about the child "because it was obvious she was not your normal child."

Dr. Ghosh is considered to be one of India's leading authorities on



CAT baby is a fast learner, say docs.

early-childhood behavior. He told reporters that the girl continues in many ways to act like a cat, but her human instincts are intact. And he fully expects that she will one day lead a normal life.

"It's truly remarkable," he said. "You would expect that she might be fearful of humans and terrified by their technology. In fact, she is wary but not afraid."

"And her vocabulary, after just two months, is already at 20 words."

WIFE BEATING IS A DISEASE, SAYS EXPERT

Marriage may be dangerous to your physical and mental health if steps are not taken to avoid violence.

If that warning was attached to all marriage applications, fewer wives would be clobbered by their husbands, says a leading sociologist.

A marriage license amounts to a hitting license, says researcher Murray Straus. Violence is more likely in couples between 18 and 24.

"If we wanted to drastically reduce

the violence rate, we could prohibit anyone from getting married before the age of 35," said Straus.

Experts say wife battering is a disease that can be predicted and then prevented.

In a recent national study, researchers discovered:

One-fourth of all murders occur in families, and women are more likely to be assaulted or killed by their husbands or boyfriends than by anyone else.

Almost half of all married couples between the ages of 18 and 24 report violence in their home, ranging from slapping to severe beatings. About one-third of young dating couples get into physical fights.

Male-dominant families are the most violent, especially those in which the woman has a higher level of education or a higher-status job than her husband.

Man broiled alive!

An 18-year-old man was broiled alive when he climbed an electrical transformer tower — and burst into flames.

Rob Colyer of Lake Grove, Oregon, suffered burns on more than half of his body and was listed in critical condition.

The accident wiped out power in the area.

Teacher works wonders with special class

By SUSAN JIMISON

The kids at a Philadelphia school for the blind perform miracles every day — by painting beautiful pictures although they can't see a thing!

The colorful paintings the students produce are just like the work of sighted kids their age and the art makes the children feel good about themselves, their teacher Susan Rodriguez says.

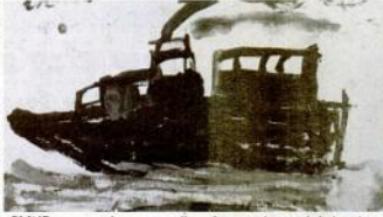
"I've taught thousands of blind kids since I began working at the Overbrook School for the Blind in 1973," said Susan.

"I've seen that being able to produce a work of art increases the blind artist's self-confidence. And I defy people to find the difference between blind kids' paintings and those done by my students who can see."

Susan teaches her young students to draw by using a special screen that helps them space objects in their paintings and drawings. The kids use their other senses to remember the sounds and sensations of a day at the beach, a walk in the country or a trip to the circus.

"All of the children's promices add up to a kind of vision so that the kids can actually picture things in their minds," said Susan, whose book *Art Smart* was published in 1988 by Prentice-Hall. "These children know from the sense of touch that a face has two eyes and a mouth and that the nose is positioned between them. They can translate that to a painting." And after several

Totally blind kids painted these pictures!



BLIND young artists use smell to choose colors and their paintings, like those shown here, are incredibly detailed.

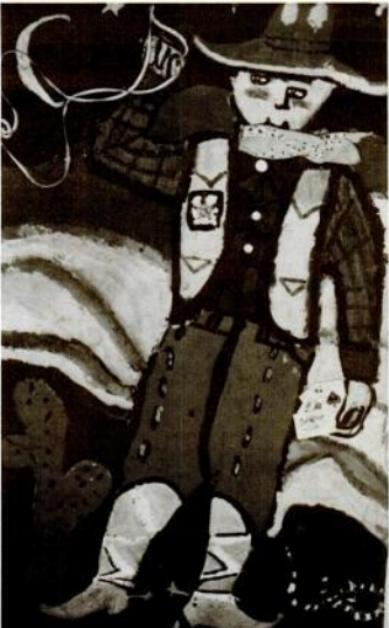
months of practice, Susan's blind students can draw and paint on their own, without any special aids.

They choose their colors by scent — the yellow crayon is lemon-scented, the red cherry-scented, and so forth.

Using their sense of touch, the children gauge the dis-

tance between objects on their paper. And amazingly, they produce the incredible details most people think would be impossible for someone who can't see.

"They're little van Goghs," Susan said proudly. "Some of them are remarkably talented artists."



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Now all we have to do is figure out which country we're going to let them invade after they get bored with the oompah bands and sauerkraut.

Let's face it. Germans have never really liked living in their own country. They're always trying to live somewhere



By ED DANGER

else like Poland and France and Czechoslovakia — and the list goes on and on. I was wor-

ried that the Japanese were snapping up all the world's prime real estate.

But at least they pay market price for it.

The only offer the Germans ever made for a piece of property came out of the barrel of a cannon.

I mean, what if they come over here and say "Vee vont Disney World."

We'd have to blast 'em back to the moon. And then from shelling the daylight out of Cinderella's Castle and surrounding Mr. Toad's Wild Ride with storm troopers.

If those cabbage heads had

their way, next time you took the kids to see Mickey Mouse you'd pay for tickets in marks instead of dollars. Donald Duck would be a Nazi and Winnie the Pooh would be in a concentration camp!

You know how I feel about the sneaky Russians. But they did the world a favor in August 1961 when they held the ground-breaking ceremony for The Berlin Wall.

They knew what I said about the Germans always wanting to live somewhere else was right. The Wall just fooled 'em into climbing over it and THINKING they were

somewhere else! But what's really got me bouncing off the wall is all the liberal, bleeding-heart newspapers blabbering about how great it is that this "fairy-tale country that gave us Hansel and Gretel" is back together again.

Hogwash!

Germany gave us it fairy tales all right, but also gave us Adolf Hitler and those stupid-looking Volkswagens.

So when you're all eating Wiener schnitzel, don't tell me I didn't tell you so.

The Wall oughta go back up pronto — and I'll lay the first brick!

Our baby's ghost is terrorizing us

By SUSAN JIMISON

Sharon and Ray Green and their little girl are being terrorized night and day — by the jealous ghost of their dead baby boy!

The angry spirit of the child who was stillborn is apparently disturbed that the Greens' 15-month-old daughter Samantha occupies the nursery once intended for him. So he wakes his sister with blood-curdling screams, steals her toys and turns the lights in her room off and on.

The Greens say the ghost of their dead child began to haunt their Luton, England, home right after little Samantha was born. From the first moment they laid their new daughter in her crib, the trouble began.

"I heard noises through the baby monitor like someone walking around," said Sharon, whose husband runs a jewelry shop. "But when I went upstairs there was no one there.

"Then things started disap-

pearing, including Samantha's teddy bear. We searched the bedroom but found nothing. Six weeks later the teddy bear turned up on a shelf. Toys moved from one side of the room to the other.

"Close doors and drawers were opened and shut. Worst of all, Samantha would suddenly burst into tears when she was asleep as if she was having nightmares."

More than once Ray or Sharon would enter Samantha's nursery at night and find a ball of pure, intense white light

hovering over their child's bed. Once they heard a voice screaming at their baby to "get out!"

In desperation, Sharon went to visit a psychic — and found out the ghost was her own dead child.

"She told me, 'I see you've brought your son along — he's holding you by the hand,'" Sharon recalled. "I was horrified because I had only just something brushing my hand."

"When I told her about Samantha's nightmares, she said it was my son tormenting her by saying, 'This room is mine, not yours. I want you out!' She said the ghost was not a baby but much more mature in his other world."

To get rid of the jealous

Thirsty thieves

Cops nabbed two teens for stealing a keg of beer when the thirsty twosome returned for a tap to open it.

The Hudson, Fla., youths, 15 and 16, ripped off the brew from a local restaur-



FRIGHTENED family, Sharon and Ray Green and their daughter Samantha, who are all targets of the jealous ghost.

ghost, Ray, 33, has tried talking it into leaving. He says he went into Samantha's nursery one night after hearing her screaming hysterically in the night and found her sound asleep.

"The room was very cold and a ball of white light was hovering below the lampshade," Ray said.

"I knew instantly it was the ghost baby."

"I said, 'Child, God be with you, go in peace,' at which

point the crib began to vibrate violently. I told him firmly, 'Go!' and the white light disappeared through the wall with a whoosh."

Ray believes he has convinced the ghost to go, but Sharon is still frightened.

"I'm so afraid that every time I hear noises upstairs I have to get out of the house and take Samantha with me," she said.

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An expert's tips for wedded bliss!

12 Commandments of marriage

By SUSAN JIMISON

Couples stand a better chance of staying out of the divorce courts, says Dr. Paul Mickey, if they pre-

pare themselves for the down side of wedded life — and follow the 12 commandments of marriage.

A Duke University divinity

professor, marriage counselor and author of *Tough Marriage*— *How to Make a Difficult Relationship Work* (Morrow), Dr. Mickey believes couples tend to idealize marriage,

rather than face it realistically.

"Everyone has problems with their marriage," Dr. Mickey, 48, who has been married 24 years, said. "I've had them too. But people should try to make a marriage work and there are a number of helpful things you can do."

Dr. Mickey offers this list of rules for wedded bliss that he calls the 12 commandments of marriage:

1. Get counseling before you marry: Talking with your pastor or a marriage counselor will help bring unspoken conflicts to light so they can be faced and dealt with before you tie the knot.

2. Put your mate on a pedestal: Treat him or her like some one special. Make sacrifices and help reduce pressures on your mate. Learn to forgive and forget.

3. Make a break with your parents: You're married to your mate, not mom and dad.

4. Be truthful and use the language of love: Communicating with patience and understanding — rather than anger and insult — will lead to a closer bond.

5. Plan time together: Don't just eat, make love and sleep in passes — take time to be with one another.

6. Encourage the best in your spouse: Compliment him or her on good points, lovingly point out flaws that can be rectified.

7. Commit yourself to religion: Attend a church or synagogue so that you learn there are bigger things than your marriage to think about.

8. Carb lust: Not just sexual lust, but lust for things like work and money. Keep your hungers under control.

9. Slow down: A little peace and relaxation reduces stress on a marriage.

10. Be flexible: Marriage lasts a long time and you need to change your views, your lifestyle as the years pass. Don't panic as you lose jobs, children, friends or sexual power.

11. Get some time alone: Solitude builds strength and perspective and teaches you to survive without constant togetherness.

12. Learn to let go: Try to be like a child in your wonder at new ideas and concepts and like a wise man who is never surprised or shocked by life. Release your grasp on false ideas and replace them with greater truths.

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Blind boy gets to 'see' Santa

Six-year-old Jimmer King of the Maryland School for the Blind uses his fingers to "look" at Santa during St. Nick's visit to the Baltimore school.

Newest status symbol — plush burial plots

High-living Yuppies snap up fancy digs for dying

People who already have the "right" house in the "right" neighborhood, drive the "right" car and send their kids to the "right" schools have a new status symbol — burial plots with a view in prestigious and pricey cemeteries.

"Successful young people — Yuppies — are buying cemetery lots in record numbers," says Dayne Sieling of the Pre-Arrangement Association, a nationwide organization dedicated to

By JOHN BLACKBURN

selling funeral plans on the basis of buy now, die later.

"And since they're well-to-do, have the money to spend," he continues, "they're able to

Mean crook steals Good Samaritan's car

Motorist Trevor Burton stopped to aid victims of a deadly school bus crash — and while he was gone, a thief stole his car.

A judge later sentenced 23-year-old Serge Ruel to 18 months prison for the theft.

He told Ruel his was "a mean, nasty, low-down type of crime."

Ruel admitted stealing Burton's car while Burton was helping victims of the bus crash in Scarborough, Ontario, Canada.

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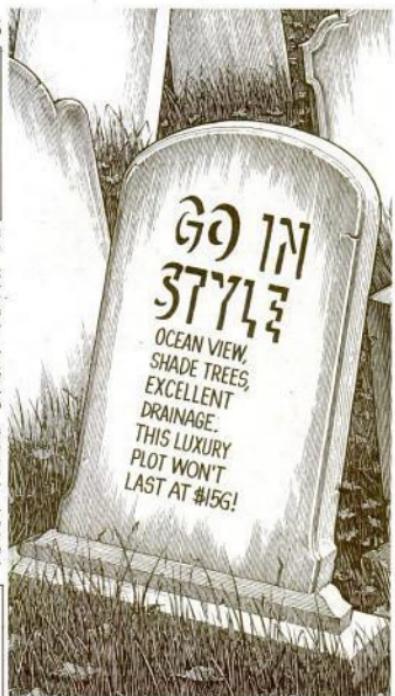
buy expensive caskets — and select impressive grave sites in the "right" cemeteries."

Back in the 1960s Sieling says, just 10 percent of Americans in their late 30s and early 40s — the age of most Yuppies — made their funeral arrangements in advance.

"Now that number has swelled to 40 percent," he explains. "There's a virtual stream of these well-heeled, young professionals just dying to get into the cemetery before they're in it."

"And why not? Real estate is real estate. And whether it's a Florida hideaway with an ocean view or a final resting place in tasteful surroundings, real estate is getting scarcer."

The cost of dying isn't getting any cheaper, either. Some posh plots now carry a hefty \$15,000 price tag and they're only going to get more expensive, Sieling said.



Trip to hospital was a real ordeal

Edward Mann was badly injured in an explosion but his troubles were only beginning. It took three ambulances to get

him to the hospital because the first two broke down!

The first ambulance over-heated and conked out. The second ran out of gas at an intersection and was broadsided by a car.

The third ambulance got Mann to the hospital safely. The 46-year-old man was hurt in an explosion at Alumax Mill Products Inc., in Morris III.



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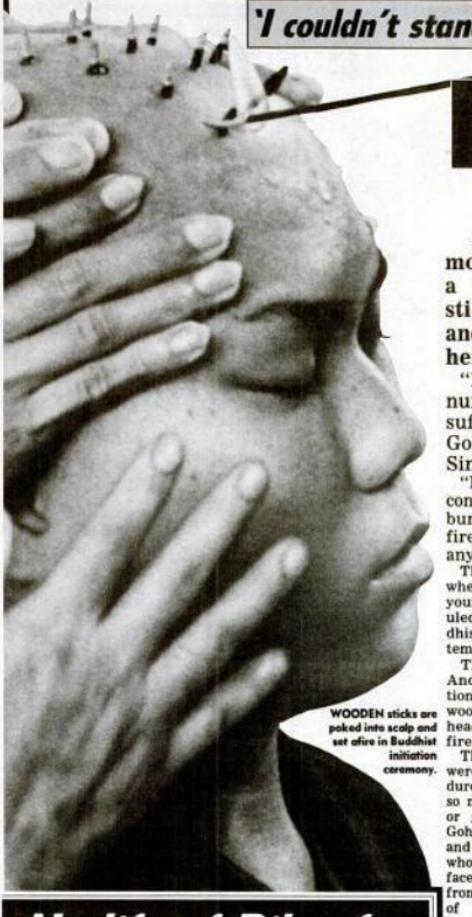
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'I couldn't stand the pain!'

Hotheaded

By DAMON RAY

A Buddhist nun punched a monk and ran screaming from a temple when the wooden sticks he pushed into her head and set on fire burned her scalp!

"I wanted to be a devoted nun but not bad enough to suffer like that," Jenny Lin Goh, 23, told newsmen in Singapore.

"I've never felt such pain," she continued. "My flesh was burning. My head was on fire. I've never gone through anything like it."

The incredible drama unfolded when Miss Goh and several other young women were scheduled to be initiated as Buddhist nuns in a Singapore temple.

Their heads were shaved. And in keeping with tradition, monks pushed sharp wooden sticks into their heads and set them on fire.

The would-be nuns were expected to endure the pain without so much as a whimper or grimace. But Miss Goh couldn't stand it and slugged the monk who lit her sticks square in the face. She then ran screaming from the temple while hundreds of Buddhist holy men and women watched.

"Not every woman is meant to be a nun. This woman certainly wasn't," said Loy Teck Tan, the monk Miss Goh slugged.

"The endurance of pain is something we all face. We cannot let it get the best of us. If we do, it is a sign that we are lacking in devotion."

Miss Goh agreed that she wasn't

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No life of Riley for retirees, says study

Retirement is going to be impossible for baby boomers when they reach 65 — because folks in their 30s and 40s right now aren't saving anything for their old age.

Experts believe by the time baby boomers are ready to quit working, Social Security will be

able to supply only 50 to 60 percent of the income necessary to live comfortably. If middle-income folks don't put away something on their own, they'll face a drastic reduction in living standards.

The American Academy of Pension Actuaries says the crunch will come from skyrocketing health care costs, short-sighted government policies on taxes and an

cut out to be a nun and was very apologetic about hitting the monk. "I just wish I had had the courage to walk away without resorting to violence," she said.

Thieves swipe painting — wall and all!

Thieves ripped off a 12th-century mural from an Italian church — by taking the whole wall it was painted on!

There was no estimate of the painting's value.

Heartbreaking news for Ohio couple who tried 10 years

QUINTS' MOM DIES

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Several daily servings of fresh fruits and vegetables may provide enough boron for optimal mental functioning, say researchers at the U.S. Department of Agriculture.



PARENTS Elonna and Robert McKibben with their four babies. One of the quints died shortly after birth.

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GHOST TRAIN SAVES 2

... this 1891 headline told an incredible

Railroad engineer Jim Murphy saw the ghostly image of a locomotive highballing toward him on the tracks ahead and, in a rush of panic, brought his own train to a screeching stop — only scant feet from a washed-out bridge!

Murphy's four-car "Prairie Land Express" was bound for St. Louis, Missouri, on the night of July 1, 1891, with 200 passengers and a six-man crew, according to an old newspaper report.

It was a destination Murphy's train would never have reached if it

had rumbled onto the splintered, twisted bridge that had collapsed only minutes earlier into the raging, flood-swollen waters of the Missouri River. "It was a ghost train stopped, I stepped down from my cab and walked toward the other

"After I finally got my train stopped, I stepped down from my cab and walked toward the other

train. I could just make out its shape in the dark beyond the washed-out bridge. There was no mistaking that it was a locomotive."

"But as I watched, the engine just started to fade before my eyes. It grew dimmer and dimmer until I could actually see right through it. Then it vanished."

As incredible as Murphy's story sounded, few if any of the folks in those parts thought of him as a nut.

They not only knew it was a ghost train that appeared on the track that night to prevent a terrible disaster, they also knew

Exactly one year earlier, engineer

was at the throttle of a freight train that just as it crossed the bridge plowed girders and planks O'Malley and his

"A lot of people think my train had Murphy's train came back to save us all."



years to have kids

YING OF ANCER!

By SUSAN JIMISON

Greatest joy was followed by tragedy when mom Elonna McKibben when doctor she had terminal cancer — days after she gave birth to quintuplets.

courageous Warren, Ohio, woman says going to dwell on her own fate, because she is strong and hopeful for her beautiful new

t to think about my cancer," said brave Elonna, "I've given just two years to live. "I don't want to go too much to live for now."

legal secretary, and her steelworker husband married for 10 years to have children. The birth of in September 9 was a dream come true for them, of the quintuplets, a little girl named Ivana, died. Mother had suffered unusual pain during her pregnancy, but doctors attributed her discomfort to the number of babies she was carrying.

When the pain didn't stop after the babies were delivered, doctors ordered extensive tests — and found an incurable malignancy on her spinal cord.

"I was in a lot of shock because I just didn't expect it," said Elonna, who had the deadly tumor removed from her spine a month after the babies were born. "I just looked at the doctor and said, 'You're telling me I'm dying?' He said, 'Yes.'

"I'm not saying I'm not doing a lot of crying, but God doesn't promise any set number of days. We never know when our time is up. I know that the more positive you are, the better your chances are. I have to keep myself well for the babies — they're my incentive."

The spinal tumor has left Elonna with little feeling in her legs, so for the time being the brave mom is wheelchair-bound. But she's happy to be home looking after her three



BRAVE Elonna says, "I've got too much to live for now. I'm going to enjoy every moment."

'I want every moment with my babies to be precious,' she says

baby daughters and her infant son.

Meanwhile, friends and family have gathered around the brave mom to help. A special fund has been set up at First Federal Bank of Warren, 185 East Market Street, Warren, Ohio 44482, and already

money is pouring in to help the young family pay medical and childcare expenses.

"There are a lot of people praying for me and that gives me strength," Elonna said. "I'm going to take things a day at a time now

and enjoy every moment with my children.

"I want every minute with my babies to be precious. I'm facing a new life with my babies and that's what I want to concentrate on."

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She got the boot for eating a canary, but . . .

Naughty cat walks 450 miles home

A canary-gobbling kitty named Murka was exiled to a faraway city for feasting on her family's pet birds. But amazing Murka found her way home a year later — after trudging 450 miles through ice and snow!

Then, four days after her mistress welcomed her home with open arms, the cantankerous tabby turned right around — and chomped another canary.

"I don't know what we're going to do with that cat," anxious Anna Dostolv told reporters in Moscow, Russia.

"Murka is a sweet thing, and she worked so hard to get back home we hate to give her away again."

"But we love our birds, too, and it breaks our hearts when she eats them."

→ The misadventures of the mischievous kitty began last year when she gobbled up two of the seven canaries Anna and her hubby Vladimir kept in their four-room apartment.

"She seemed to be getting such a fondness for the birds we decided we had to send her away," Anna recalled.

So the heartbroken housewife and her hubby carted naughty Murka off to live with a cousin in Voronezh, 450 miles

By JOE BERGER

southeast of Moscow. But the miffed mouser disappeared from Cousin Nikolai's house two days later — and hit the road for home.

"We didn't know she was coming home, and we imagined all kinds of terrible things had happened to her," said Anna, 37. "We felt very sad."

"It was very cold and snowy outside when she ran away and we kept thinking she'd freeze to death and it was all our fault."

"We really thought she was gone forever and we'd never see her again."

But a year after she vanished, the well-traveled tabby showed up in the stairwell of the couple's apartment building one morning as Vladimir was leaving for work. The be-

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dragged cat had a nick in one ear, had lost a chunk of her tail — and appeared to be pregnant.

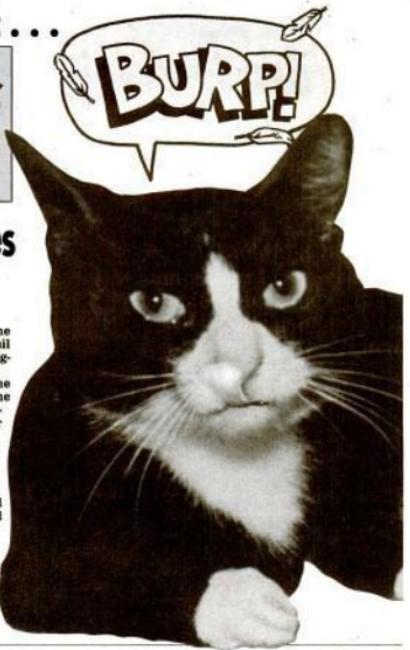
"We have no idea how she found her way home, but she obviously had a lot of adventures along the way," her mystified mistress told reporters.

"We were delighted to see her."

Delighted, that is, until the famished feline knocked open a can of dog and wolfed down another of their canaries.

"Now we have a real problem," Anna said.

"We love our birds, but how could we possibly give Murka away after she walked 450 miles to get home? We're going to keep her."



Man talks so long to 911 he can't escape fire!

By JACK ALEXANDER

A giddy bachelor died in a trailer fire — because he yapped with the emergency 911 operator until it was too late to escape.

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talked himself to death instead of getting out of the trailer as fast as he could," said a fire department spokesman.

Russell C. Hoag, 22, died of carbon monoxide poisoning after being trapped in a rear bedroom of the trailer in Sioux

City, Iowa. Hoag apparently awakened shortly before 5 a.m. to find his rental trailer home in flames. He immediately dialed 911.

A transcript of the phone conversation released by Hoag kept talking on the phone after giving the operator his address and the extent of the fire.

"He was trapped in the back bedroom and the fire was in the front of the trailer. That was where the only exit was lo-

cated," said Police Sgt. Terry Kern. The 911 dispatcher was ready to send firemen to the address as soon as Hoag got off the phone.

Finally, Hoag said, "I've gotta go, O.K.," and hung up.

Hoag apparently collapsed and died from carbon monoxide fumes after he hung up.

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We danced several times before the band took a break. As soon as it did, she excused herself to go to the ladies' room. Twenty minutes passed and she didn't come back, so I went backstage to the bathrooms to see if she was all right.

Well, Dotti, I was shocked. That woman wasn't in the bathroom at all. She was stripped to the waist, caving out her breasts from under her blouse! I finally got her blouse back on and took her home. But she made me promise not to tell her husband what went on. What should I do, Dotti? Keep my mouth shut or tell the boss what his wife does behind his back? — Need Help in Evanston

Dear Need: If your boss doesn't know his wife is a floozy, that's his tough luck. Forget what you saw and keep your mouth shut. The next time the guy goes out of town tell him to get another baby-sitter for his cheatin' wife.

I'm fed up with beefs from fat folks

Dear Dotti: I'm sick and

Confidential

Dear Wondering in Colorado Springs: Chastity belts didn't work in the Middle Ages and they don't work today.

Dear Curious in Louisville: With a curling iron? You must be insane.

Dear Fluke in Syracuse: How can you get lipstick off your knee?

Dear Timmy in Savannah: I hope you rot in hell.

Dear Curious in Spokane: My measurements are none of your business.

Dear Embarrassed in Nova Scotia: Next time you play with handcuffs make sure you've got the keys.

Dear Miffed in Utica: Your fella expects a lot in return for a hamburger dinner, doesn't he?

Iried of hearing fat people complain about the way other folks make fun of them. Everybody is supposed to feel sorry for fatties, but what about skinny people like me? I've done everything to put on weight and I still look like a toothpick. And let me tell you, Dotti, people make fun of me as much as they do lard bottoms. Please print this letter. It's something I had to get off

my chest. — Skinny in Montreal

Dear Skinny: I've got more curves than a mountain road, but I can certainly sympathize with what you are saying. Fatties whine all the time, and I'm sick of it, too. You'd think they'd stop pigging out long enough to look in the mirror and see how disgusting they really are.

Does my picture turn you on, Dotti?

Dear Dotti: Women say I'm the best-looking man they've ever seen, but I don't know if they're kidding or what. I've enclosed a picture. What do you think? — Wondering in New York

Dear Wondering: You've got teeth like piano keys and a nose like a banana. Those gals you talk to must be desperate — or sick.

My pothead son is being a real dope

Dear Dotti: My 16-year-old son quit school over my objections and has totally gone to seed. He won't lift a finger to help me around the house and spends most of his time in his room smoking pot and drinking booze. I've begged him to get a job, but he just laughs in my face. What can I do to make him wake up? — Wit's End in Trenton

Dear Wit's End: Your son is



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a no-good bum. Write him out of your will. Boot him out of your house. Then forget you ever knew him and get on with YOUR life.

I'm 34 years old but afraid of girls

Dear Dotti: I'm a 34-year-old man and I'm afraid of girls. I've only had one date in my life, and I botched that by throwing up at dinner. I really

would like to have someone to talk to and share my life with. Can you help? — Girl-shy in Kansas

Dear Shy: Thirty-four years old? Afraid of girls? Honey, there's only one thing you can do — find yourself a man!

Dotti will answer your letters and send them back to you. Just write to her c/o Weekly World News, 600 South East Coast Ave., Lantana, Fla. 33462.

Ask the Countess

Did chain letter put a curse on me?

Dear Countess: A few years ago I received a chain letter that I tossed in the trash, and my life has been a nightmare since. I've wrecked and destroyed six cars. My brother was murdered. And all my clothes were destroyed in a flood. Do you think the chain letter had anything to do with my bad luck? Can I do anything to change it? — Troubled in Florida

Dear Troubled: The chain letter you threw away caused all your bad luck. Fortunately, a dear friend of mine specializes in such matters. And she performed a ritual that has already changed your luck for the better. Burn the next chain letter that you don't want to pass on. That will prevent it from

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causing you any trouble in the future. * * *

Dear Countess: Before my husband died he told me that he wasn't the father of our daughter. Needless to say I was stunned — but I had no



choice but to believe him. Before I got pregnant he gave me some "headache pills." In fact, they must have been knockout drops because I passed out shortly after taking them. A month or so later I found out I was pregnant. If

my husband was telling the truth, that means the other man must have gone to bed with me while I was asleep. Is another man the father of my daughter, Countess? If so, do you know who he is? — Desperate in Washington

Dear Desperate: Your husband told you the truth, my dear, but certainly not to hurt you. He was sterile and knew you wanted a child very badly. In desperation he arranged for another man to make you pregnant. That man's initials are J.G.

Dear Countess: I just want you to know that the lucky lottery numbers you print on your horoscope page in THE NEWS are the best. I've been

playing them for over a year and have won \$84,000. A lot of people think psychics and astrologers are full of baloney, and I'm sure some of them are. But you, for one, are the real thing — and I've got a big bankroll to prove it. Thank you! — Love Ya in California

Dear Love: Thank you so much for the kind words. I try to help when I can. * * *

PERSONAL TO . . .
Lost in Bowling Green: Your son sold the lottery ticket and cashed it in.

Terrified in Phoenix: The lady is a practicing witch, but she cannot hurt you.

Grateful in Salt Lake City: I'm so glad my advice played such a big role in changing your life.

Spats at work No. 1 cause of stress!

By CINDY O'NEIL

Quarreling with your coworkers is the No. 1 cause of stress — and a recent study proves it!

"Arguments with your spouse or children are certainly distressing, but arguments with a workmate or a boss are the most stressing on a day-to-day basis," reports Niall Bolger, a social psychol-

ogist at the University of Denver.

Bolger and researchers from the University of Michigan and the University of British

Columbia conducted the study in Detroit.

One hundred sixty-six married couples recorded their daily encounters with hostility, anxiety and depression. More than 12,000 incidents were documented over a six-week period, and the most serious episodes appeared to be workplace, not domestic.

Even though domestic disputes were twice as frequent, workplace squabbles caused more immediate harm.

"When you have an argument with your wife or husband, you know that they love you," says Bolger. "But at the office there just isn't the same degree of understanding."

"It's one thing to argue about who's going to bring the kids to school this morning. It's another to argue about whether you are going to have a job tomorrow or get a promotion."

Advice from the psychologist: "Office squabbles should be nipped in the bud."



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Scientists have just come up with teeny tiny tomatoes — and they're so small you can sprinkle them on your salad like croutons.

The plant stands five to eight inches tall and produces tomatoes as small as a nickel.



Wishing well loot guarded by piranhas!

Carlos Belalca put the bite on crooks stealing money from a charity wishing well — by putting two deadly piranhas in the water.

The Worthing, England, hairdresser is collecting the money for a hospital charity.

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Think twice before you take Aunt Martha's advice

Common beliefs that are really **BALONEY!**

How many times did your mom, aunt or granny tell you, after you burned your finger on a hot pan, to rub butter on the boo-boo to take the pain away?

WRONG! WRONG! WRONG!

Smearing butter on a burn is the worst thing to do and can actually make the injury more painful. Cold water or ice is the best treatment.

That's the advice of authors Graham and Sylvana Nown in their myth-debunking book *Don't You Believe It* (Ward Lock Limited, London, England).

The Nowns have taken hundreds of common, everyday beliefs handed down from generation to generation and set them right. Some of the myths they've corrected include:

• Coffee picks you up. Actually, coffee's a downer. Caffeine is stimulant, only supplies a brief bit of energy. Then the body is more tired than before.

• Fresh lemons are yellow. Huh, uh! Fresh lemons are green and taste terrible. Farmers ripen lemons for up to three months to turn them yellow and mellow the taste.

• Chocolate gives you pimples.



FISH may taste good but they won't help the brain much.

pies. The tasty sweet won't make you pop out in pimples. The ugly blotches are caused by hormonal changes in teens and by a virus in adults.

• Spinach will make you strong to the finish like Popeye. This one was believed for 1,300 years, but actually the green veggie only contains a

**Butter
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**TV hurts
the eyes?
BALONEY!**

tenth of the iron it was believed to have. A scientist accidentally put the decimal point in the wrong place.

• Chop suey comes from China. This popular dish is an all-American creation. It was created in New York in 1896 by a chef at the China Inn, based trying to prepare a banquet for both Oriental and Western guests. He tossed everything he could think of in the wok — and it was a hit.

• Moles are blind. While in their tunnels underground, moles certainly use their senses of smell, touch and hearing. But these little animals do have tiny eyes, which

are weak, but do enable them to see above ground.

• Humid weather makes rheumatism flare up. While joints may have extra twinges on certain days, it is the changes in atmospheric pressure on joints and not dampness that cause the aches and pains.

• Spaghetti is an Italian invention. Hard as it may be to get the owner of your local pizza parlor to accept it, spaghetti does not come from Italy. Famed traveler Marco Polo brought the noodles back from China with him.

• Fish is brain food. This fallacy probably came from the fact that both fish and the brain contain phosphorus. But the fact is the brain doesn't use up its phosphorus content and has no need to be topped off from time to time.

• Watching too much TV can ruin your eyes. Excessive viewing may be hard on the muscles around the eyes but it doesn't affect the eyesight.

• George Washington was the first President of the United States. Nope. It was John Hanson. There were 14



COFFEE is really a downer that leaves you more tired.



MEET THE 15th PREZ. And you thought George Washington was really the first? Nope. There were 14 before him.

heads of the Continental Congress from 1774 to 1789 and all called President. The 15th President probably never chopped down a cherry tree, either.

• Men are tougher than women. An experiment at a London hospital has proven that, while men may be gen-

erally stronger than women, women better withstand pain and discomfort.

In the experiment, an electrical jolt was applied to the subjects.

Men screamed for the experiment to stop, while the women were still laughing, said researchers.

Old lady stuck 30 hours in pit filled with garbage

Elderly Stella Johns spent 30 horrifying hours in a 50-foot-deep pit — mired knee-deep in stinking garbage slop.

"It was awful. I've never been more scared in my life," said Mrs. Johns, 81, of Hecklersville, Pa. "One rat crawled right over me."

The frail old lady fell into the slimy dump as she tossed in a bag of empty cans. "I held for help but no one heard me," she said.

"I slipped and it took a very long time to get up. There was so much junk down there. Then I tried to get out but I got stuck in the mud and in the garbage," she said.

Mrs. Johns endured her

frightening ordeal from 11 a.m. on a Friday until 4:30 p.m. the next day — 30 terrifying hours.

A worried son and daughter alerted police, who searched most of Saturday for Mrs. Johns. Her son found her.

She was taken to the Good Samaritan Hospital in nearby Pottsville, suffering from bruises and exposure.

"She's fine, now. We're all very thankful," said Mrs. Johns' daughter.

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Incredible powder made from chicken feet cures everything!

By HENRY WEBER

A veterinarian who discovered that a powder made from chicken feet cures everything from acne and ulcers has all but given up his dream of selling the product in the United States.

Dr. Harry Robertson said that the FDA's concerns over sanitation and testing have made it too troublesome to peddle the powder as a food supplement that could benefit millions of people nationwide.

"Chicken feet are the greatest medical advance since penicillin but the FDA doesn't want to believe it," said the veteri-

narian from Salisbury, Md.
"An extract from the feet cures acne, chigger bites, gunshot wounds, burns and malnutrition. It also clears up stomach ulcers and gangrene."

"It's a shame that something like this isn't available to the people who could benefit from it."

Dr. Robertson discovered that chicken feet had medicinal value when he burned himself while extracting protein and amino acids from a batch he got from a slaughterhouse.

Some of the powdered extract got on the burn. A few minutes later, his pain was gone.

"It was pure serendipity, blind luck," said Dr. Robertson. "In a number of tests the

... but govt.
bigwigs won't
let you buy
it, says doc

powder cleared up gangrene, acne and stomach ulcers as well as chigger bites and other wounds."

The FDA requires years of rigorous testing of medicines and drugs before they can be put on the market. And the agency fought to keep Dr. Robertson from selling powdered chicken feet under the trade name Revital in the United States pending more thorough studies.

VETERINARIAN Harry Robertson sits among thousands of chicken feet — the raw material for the doc's amazing cure-all, which he says is good for acne, chigger bites, gunshot wounds, burns, malnutrition and stomach ulcers.



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Infant's scream shocks delivery room . . .

'NOT AGAIN!'

By JOHN CHAPMAN

A newborn boy screamed, "Not again!" seconds after he was delivered, a respected obstetrician reports.

"As God is my witness that infant spoke to us right there," said Dr. Grigoris Farakos, chief of obstetrics at the People's Free Clinic in Athens, Greece.

"Don't ask me why or how because I don't have any explanation. All I can tell you is that the boy screamed the words in English in a voice that was undeniably strong and clear."

"I know it sounds crazy. But it was almost like he was angry or afraid to be born."

The delivery room outburst was widely publicized after a hospital employee leaked the story to the Greek press.

Dr. Farakos and four other delivery room staffers reluctantly agreed to talk to the media at the request of the baby's parents — who believe in reincarnation and don't doubt for a minute that their son has lived before.

"We all live many times," explained the mother, who re-



INFANT'S scream may mean he was born with an awareness of a past life, says expert on the paranormal.

Mother convinced: This is proof of reincarnation

quested anonymity. "Of course, I didn't hear my son speak before he was born," she said. "I was sedated during labor."

"In a way it makes me sad. He must have had a hard time in his past life."

"Otherwise why wouldn't he want to be born again?"

The baby hasn't spoken

since the day he was born. But the child appears to be operating at the age of his low five-pound birth weight. And he should develop normally, Dr. Farakos said.

"Naturally I'm talking about his physical outlook," he added.

"It is too early to say much

about his psychological development."

Nicholas Vassiliou, a respected paranormal researcher from Athens, agreed with Dr. Farakos.

"At this early date it is impossible to say whether the boy was born with an awareness of a past life or accident-

tally sounded a couple of words," he said.

"Furthermore, his parents are open-minded."

This is the second time in the past four years a child has been born screaming the words, "Not again." The previous incident, reported in *The NEWS*, occurred in Salzburg, Austria.

Here comes the judge!



By JACK ALEXANDER

Close friends were shocked when gray-haired Judge Louis Tidwell was accused of luring young girls to his home for sex and drugs — but his neighbors weren't surprised.

"Here comes the judge. Here comes the judge," neighbors chanted as cops handcuffed Tidwell and took him to a Tampa, Fla., jail.

Twelve grams of crack cocaine and a suitcase full of videotapes depicting sex acts between young girls and a man believed to be Tidwell were discovered in his plush condo, said police.

The 51-year-old judge, who has been on the bench 20 years, is accused of enticing teenage girls to his condo with promises of \$150 to clean it,

then giving them drugs and more money to perform sex acts, cops said.

"I'm quite shocked. There was never any indication he

was having problems and the thought never entered my mind," said Judge Daniel Gallagher, a longtime colleague of Tidwell.

"I respected him and I thought he was very competent," said Judge Gallagher. "Certainly this is out of character from what I know of him."

But others described the divorced judge in wildly differing terms.

"He was a pervert. I didn't know he was a judge until last night. I thought he was a cocaine dealer," said neighbor Gregg Collins.

"There were young girls parading in and out of his house all the time — religiously. They stood in front of my house during their parties and did cocaine," Police began

investigating Judge Tidwell after three girls and their parents complained that he molested them several years ago said Deputy Police Chief Tom DePolis.

Tidwell also is accused of having sex with a 14-year-old girl in the presence of another girl, according to an arrest affidavit.

The veteran judge has been charged with possession of 12 grams of crack cocaine, three counts of performing lewd and lascivious acts with a child under 16 and one count each of securing a sexual performance by a child and delivering drugs to a minor.

He was released from the Hillsborough County jail after posting \$25,000 bail. Tidwell has not been arraigned and no formal charges have been filed.

MAGISTRATE Louis Tidwell has been charged in teen sex and drug scandal, say cops.

His Honor traded drugs for sex with teen girls, say cops

Boy's letter to granny gets 'special delivery'

Little letter-writer Jason Swann sent his grandma a owing letter — and it was a miracle the note ever got to her.

Jason, 7, popped his letter in the mail in Orleans — a town near Ottawa — without a stamp, without the right street name and without apartment number or postal code. But kind Canadian postal workers saw to it that the painstakingly written message got to its destination, anyway, much to the delight of grandmother Margaret Pruss of London, Ontario.

"Somebody at the post office had a warm heart," said Mrs. Pruss, 68.

Actually, Jason hadn't done such a bad job of corresponding with his grandma. He had no stamp, but he knew he should have one — so the clever kid drew his own stamp on the envelope.

Postal officials say they're going to send the child a booklet explaining how to properly address a letter. But in the meantime they're on the lookout for a second letter, this



GRANDMA Margaret Pruss with letter and photo of Jason. Time from Jason's little sis, Angela, 5.

It seems when Angela heard about Jason's letter, she wrote one of her own to Grandma Pruss."

— SUSAN JIMISON

She cracks after

Model

By IRWIN FISHER

A skinny young model literally ate herself to death, gobbling down 17 pounds of food in one massive meal!

According to the respected French medical journal *Pathology*, 19-year-old Tasha Chevalier's stomach split open causing her to bleed to death after eating her fatal feast.

Doctors say she ate two sirloin steaks, three baked potatoes, a whole head of cauliflower, a loaf of buttered garlic bread, four tall glasses of milk, a half bottle of wine, a whole turkey breast, two dozen chicken wings, pickled pigs' feet and two quarts of chow mein!

Dr. Phillip Gagnon determined exactly what the tragic woman ate by weighing and analyzing the enormous food ball that was removed from her stomach.

He confirmed his findings by cross-checking the partially-digested food with the bottles and containers that were found in the kitchen where she died.

"She literally ate herself to death," Dr. Gagnon of Paris said in his report to *Pathology*. "When she was found, her abdomen was horribly distended and her stomach had actually split open.

"It must have been an excruciating death. But her appetite was such that she couldn't

It'll work — trust me!

Brandy, a great Dane, seems to be getting an earful from Sekandi, the first lowland gorilla born at a London zoo. Brandy and Sekandi have become pals.



Guys and gals

By MARTHA ATKINS

No matter what women's libbers say, the sexes will never be equal — because men and women's brains are different, says a top doc.

Gals would be a whole lot happier if they'd just accept that they're different, says British geneticist Anne Moir. She's written a new book, *BrainSex*, with David Jessel that outlines the differences between the sexes.

"Men and women are equal only in that they're both human. To say they're the same in aptitude, skill or behavior is to build a society based on a biological and scientific lie," says Dr. Moir, who spent 10 years researching the differences.

She says the sexes are differ-

starvation diet and gobble one final meal!

eats herself to death

... at one sitting!

help herself. For most of her life she had been obsessed with her weight and starved herself to stay slim.

"She weighed only 79 pounds at the time of her death. She must have gone days on end without eating anything at all."

Friends of the young model told Dr. Gagnon that she had been anorexic for years "and probably snapped" when she went on her mind-boggling eating binge.

The food ball in her stomach tilted the scales at 17 pounds and contained such a variety of

appetizers and entrees that she was almost certainly eating everything in sight.

"She was alone in an apartment and sat at the kitchen table," said Dr. Gagnon. "This is what happens when an obsession with weight gets completely out of hand."

The death of Miss Chevalier is not without precedent. In 1985 the prestigious British medical journal *Lancet* reported the death of a 23-year-old woman who downed an astonishing 19 pounds of food at one sitting.

HER FATAL FEAST CONSISTED OF:

- 2 steaks
- 3 baked potatoes
- Head of cauliflower
- Loaf of bread
- 4 glasses of milk
- $\frac{1}{2}$ bottle of wine
- Whole turkey breast
- 2 qts. of chow mein
- 24 chicken wings
- Pickled pigs' feet

MODEL Tasha Chevalier thought she was fat in this photo taken in 1987 and starved herself down to 79 pounds before she cracked and went on a deadly binge.

are NOT equal — their brains are different!

ent because their brains are "wired" differently. They process information differently so they have totally different ideas, place importance on different things and act differently, says Dr. Moir.

Women's hobbies have explained away the fact that girls and gals act differently because they're brought up differently, says Dr. Moir. But this simply isn't true.

Now scientists like Dr. Moir are saying that men and women are the way they are because of the way they're made. For example, women feel pain faster and more sharply than men do, but they can stand pain for longer periods of time than men can. This is why girls will cry;

when they get hurt but boys will tough it out, and why women can endure long hours of pain during childbirth.

It's also been found that men and women have a difference in taste. Women like sweets better than men do, but men can taste salty things easier than women can.

Dr. Moir thinks women should accept themselves for what they are and stop trying to be like men. They will never be able to do some things as well as a man no matter how hard they try.

She lists the following as some of the most typical traits of the sexes:

WOMEN

- Naturally sensitive
- Intuitive

● Good at communicating
● More compassionate
● Better at languages
● A better judge of character

● Better hearing, night vision and smell
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Bighearted kids give up lunchtime every day to help a sick classmate

By MARTHA ATKINS

Plucky teen Alan Stonier suffers from a crippling lung disease, but he's leading a normal life thanks to his bighearted schoolmates who give up their lunchtime to help him.

Fifteen of his best friends at Wood Hey High School in Ramsbottom, England, are giving Alan special medical treatments every day.

They use a special machine to pound his chest and back. The vibration from this therapy clears his congested lungs. Thanks to their lunch-hour sessions, he can stay in school and go on with his studies.

Alan, 16, has cystic fibrosis, a disease that causes a buildup of fluid in the lungs. He needs a

medical treatment three times a day to clear this deadly buildup.

"Although cystic fibrosis is a progressive disease, in

Alan's case it hasn't progressed at all," said Deputy Headmaster Paul Das. "Doctors attribute this to the lunchtime care of Alan's friends."

"They've been wonderful and extremely reliable."

Alan used to have to leave school every afternoon for his midday treatment and this was a major disruption of his school life.

When the boy's classmates learned his schoolwork was suffering, they stepped in to help.

The unselfish teens gave up their free time to learn how to treat Alan.

"It didn't take them too long to learn what to do from a trained therapist," said Headmaster Das. "And they've become a lot more confident and competent with practice."

Without his therapy at lunchtime, Alan would be unable to make it through the day.

"Just before lunch, I often start to get out of breath and cough a lot. I can't walk very fast; it makes me too tired," he said.

As soon as the lunch bell rings, Alan's school medical team reports for work.

The giddy schoolboy is very thankful for his caring friends. "After a session, I'm instantly better. I'm very grateful to them," he said.

And his schoolmates count themselves fortunate to know the spunky teen.

"Working with Alan makes you just how lucky you are," said Debbie Hing, 16.

But courageous Alan believes that, thanks to them, he's the lucky one, because now he's just like other kids.



SCHOOLMATES give Alan Stonier a noontime treatment to help relieve the congestion that builds up in his lungs.

Killer's kids get victim's estate

Steven Benson's kids will get a chunk of their dead granny's \$10 million estate even though their dad murdered her.

Tobacco heiress Margaret Benson was blown to bits in a car bombing in 1985 in Naples,

Fla. Benson was convicted of murder.

The Second District Court of Appeals upheld a lower court ruling that said Benson's three small children can inherit part of their grandmother's fortune.

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Slippery robber turns bank job into comedy of errors

About 40 cops with automatic weapons surrounded a bank for a tense two hours to catch an armed robber

— but he was long gone. A man wearing a derby hat and a long, curly black wig had walked into a Tampa, Fla., bank hours earlier with a handgun.

The bandit ordered the manager to round up everyone in the bank. He told a teller to put some cash in a bag and sent her to the vault for more.

The teller found three other women employees in the vault and told them the bank was being robbed.

As the teller started to walk out of the vault, an employee

in the lobby hollered that the robber had fled. But the women in the vault panicked, pulled the teller inside and locked the vault door.

Police arrived and told bank employees to wait outside. But the women in the vault didn't emerge, so officers wondered if the robber had really left.

As the armed officers surrounded the bank, other cops searched inside for the suspect. Apparently, he had escaped before police arrived.

The women in the vault were finally released.

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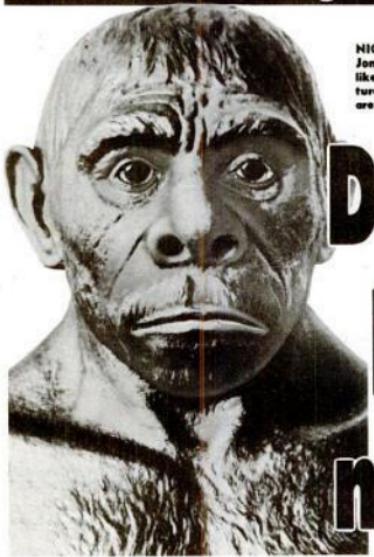
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World-wide dragnet out for kill-crazy creatures



NIGHTMARISH RESULTS of Dr. Anton Jonbach's experiments look remarkably like this Stone Age man, left. "His creatures have sunken eyes, oversized ears and are covered with hair," said an expert.

Real-life Dr. Frankenstein breeding man-apes



By SCOTTY PAUL

There is indisputable evidence that a mad Austrian scientist has successfully recreated a monster from the Stone Age — a Neanderthal man.

"At least three of the half-human, half-ape creatures have been spotted,

but there could be many more out there," said Hans Goertz, a spokesman for Interpol, the worldwide police agency.

The hairy monsters are the insane handiwork of Dr. Anton Jonbach, a real-life Dr. Frankenstein, who lost his license to practice in Austria 20 years ago.

Frightening reports that Dr. Jonbach was fertilizing the eggs of apes and monkeys with human sperm began circulating five years ago. The NEWS first reported his fiendish ex-

periments in April of 1984. "There is no doubt Dr. Jonbach has been successful in creating a Neanderthal man with the strength of a gorilla and a brilliant mind," said Dr. Lars Hemmer of the renowned Karolinska research hospital in Stockholm, Sweden.

"We are extremely concerned the twisted mind of Dr. Jonbach has unleashed some evil beings on society as revenge for his banishment from medical practice. This is not science — it's madness!"

Interpol has questioned villagers who worked with Dr. Jonbach in a mountain laboratory near San Martino del Calvi in northern Italy.

"They gave us snapshots of the first monster created by the

mad doctor. They are not of good quality but we are circulating the shots around the world," said Interpol Agent Goertz. "The creatures have sunken eyes, oversized ears and are covered with hair. As far as we know, they can grunt but can't talk."

Shortly after the first specimen's shots were taken, he went berserk and crushed two of Dr. Jonbach's aides with his bare hands.

"They tried to tranquilize and cage the beast but he escaped and is still at large," said Agent Goertz. "He's been spotted several times in wooded areas but stays pretty much by himself."

Another creature was seen in a Paris, France, train station and was last seen on a beach in Italy.

"A ticket agent in Paris said the hairy ape was with a man who resembles Dr. Jonbach," said Agent Goertz.

Apprehending Dr. Jonbach and his ape-like creatures is a top priority of Interpol agents throughout the world.

"There's no telling what monsters this madman has turned loose on the world," said Agent Goertz. "Dr. Jonbach and his man-made monsters must be caught at all costs."

SNAPSHOT shows the half-man, half-ape on a beach in Italy. This photo was circulated by international police.

Want big bucks? Sell leaves to Florida

While folks up north are raking and cursing the leaves cluttering their lawn, Florida residents are rushing to stores to buy these very same leaves — for up to 12 bucks a bag!

Most of the leaves, shipped in from as far away as Oregon and Canada, are being snatched up by former Northerners who miss the cold, damp autumn.

"People come in batches to buy them," said nursery manager Pam Halliday of Tamarac. "It brings back the northern atmosphere. And we're sold out!"

Even Florida supermarkets are getting the spirit. Shoppers can buy up a bag of leaves along with their groceries.

Leaf dealers say oak and maple leaves are their best sellers.

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'I just don't want to be in this world killing people'

FRY ME!

By MARTHA ATKINS

The man who brutally beat, murdered and raped a pregnant doctor says he should be strapped in the electric chair and fried to a crisp for his horrible crimes.

"I just don't want to be in this world killing people," said Steven Smith, 25, convicted of killing Dr. Kathryn Hinnant. "I might as well get burnt instead of spending 25 years to life in jail."

Smith was living in a tiny machinery room of New York City's Bellevue Hospital at the time of the murder. The sicko roamed the halls posing as a surgeon with a stolen ID card and a stethoscope around his neck.

"He took great joy moving around the hospital and fooling people, looking like part of the scenery," said Police Commissioner Benjamin Ward.

Pretty Dr. Hinnant, 33, was working alone in her windowless 7- by 10-foot office in an isolated part of the hospital when Smith attacked her.

The fiend shattered her nose with an open palm sending blood spouting everywhere. Then he strangled her with electrical cord he was carrying and sexually assaulted her corpse-like.

As the five-months-pregnant victim lay dead on the floor,

. . . says fake surgeon
who murdered and
raped pregnant doctor

EVIL vagrant Steven Smith hatched his murderous scheme while hiding out in New York's Bellevue Hospital.

Electric company bawls out tot for releasing balloons

Little Joseph McKinney released a batch of balloons on his birthday — and got in trouble with the power company.

The Indianapolis 3-year-old got a letter from Anderson Municipal Light & Power complaining that his helium balloons had shorted out a power line 30 miles north of his house. The balloons cut off power for half an hour to 25 houses, the letter said.

"This was a freak accident, but you should be aware of how dangerous power lines can be," scolded the company's line supervisor in the sternly worded letter.

Joseph and his dad had attached notes and messages to the balloons giving the little boy's name and address — but they didn't expect the kind of response they got.

Escaped gorillas eat book on ape behavior

Three gorillas who escaped from a Canadian zoo ate apples, oranges and a book on ape behavior.

Officials at the Calgary Zoo said the curious creatures went straight for the kitchen after somebody left open the door to their pen.

"It was really just like a bunch of kids in a candy shop," said zoo associate director Greg Tarry. "They went through every cupboard and picked out everything they thought looked good and tried it."

Keepers broke up the two-hour spree by spraying the gorillas with fire extinguishers to get them back in their pen, Tarry said. The apes weren't hurt.

the savage punk stole her \$2,300 mink coat, \$70 watch and her credit cards.

Convinced Smith at a man's shelter two days later after three dorectiles — spurred by a \$30,000 reward — gave them the dead woman's credit cards, which they said Smith had been carrying.

Smith led cops to a locker

where Dr. Hinnant's fur coat and his food stamp photo ID card were found.

The victim wanted to work at Bellevue because she was concerned about the poor and the helpless.

"It's tragic that she was victimized by one of the very people she was trying to help," said a family friend.

Sheik shells out \$700G — to get his teeth cleaned!

Jet-setting Sheik Hamed al Kassem went to the dentist for a simple one-hour checkup — and wound up with a mind-boggling bill for \$700,000!

The oil-rich sheik's favorite tooth doc drills 'em and fills 'em in Cannes, France — 2,500 miles from his home in Bahrain.

And when the finicky fat cat decided to pay the dentist a visit to have his teeth cleaned, he did it up in grand style.

The freewheeling sheik loaded one private jet with tons of luggage and paid another with cronies, including 30 beefy bodyguards, his 11 sons and their wives.

And as soon as everybody was buckled in, the bigwig and his buddies winged their way to Nice. From there, a fleet of

over two floors of a five-star hotel where the cheapest rooms go for \$1,000 a night.

"Those Arab fellows really whooped it up here for an entire week," said an assistant manager at the hotsy-totsy hotel.

"They spent money like there was no tomorrow."

"Their food bill alone would have paid most men's salary for a year."

And somewhere in the midst of the revelry, the potentate popped in on Dr. Claude LeNoir, who gave his chompers the once-over and sent him on his way.



Sheik Hamed
gleaming, chauffeur-driven limousines whisked them to Cannes — where they took

New Doctors Discovery

Weight Loss Pill Approved for U.S. Gov't. Patent

'Lazy Way' to Lose Weight Already Sweeping U.S.

BEVERLY HILLS, CA (Special) — An amazing new weight loss pill called "fat-magnet" has recently been developed perfectly by two prominent doctors at a world famous hospital in Los Angeles that reportedly "guarantees" you steady fat loss and calorie reduction by simply taking one pill a day.

The U.S. government has just approved the doctors claims for a hard-to-get patent that confirms "there has never been anything like their fat-bonding pill process before." It is a totally new major scientific breakthrough and is revolutionizing the weight loss industry.

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Within 2 days you should notice a change in the color of your stool, caused by the fat particles being eliminated.

"Automatically" Loss Fat

According to one of the inventors, Dr. William J. Kettner, medical and associate professor of medicine at UCLA medical school, "the new fat-bonding process is a "lazy way" to lose weight because the pills alone "automatically" reduce calories by eliminating dietary fat. It is 100% safe and not a drug."

"Why should these holier-than-thou big shots be able to pass laws telling us what kind of vehicle to buy and where to park it?"

"Maybe it's time we told them where they can park it."

OUTRAGE! Blue-collar bachelor Jim Minx displays tickets he got for parking his well-maintained pickup in his driveway in Flossmoor, Ill.

Pickup owner fights snoopy law

By JACK ALEXANDER

Homeowners across America could benefit from a bachelor's battle against nit-picking snobs who won't let him park his pickup in his own driveway.

"They say I either have to sell my truck, sell my house, or park outside of town and walk back home. Tell me that makes a lot of sense," said Jim Minx, 30.

Minx said the real estate agent didn't tell him about the city's kooky pickup truck ordinance when he bought a two-

bedroom home in Flossmoor, Ill.

"I have a garage, but I prefer to park my pickup in my driveway," he said. "It's my property. I pay my taxes. My pickup is a 1984 Mazda. It looks better than a lot of cars."

Minx says a retired busyn-

body from the other side of Flossmoor has called the cops on him several times for parking in his own driveway.

Instead of paying off \$200 in parking fines, Minx has filed a lawsuit to overturn the ordinance.

"Just because a few of those snobs in the ritzy part of town don't like pickups is no reason to pass such a stupid law," said the determined bachelor. "I

understand subdivisions all over the United States have similar ordinances. Maybe if I win, it will help everyone who owns a pickup."

Minx said those "holier-than-thou" rich guys on the other side of town feel that pickups are unsightly, lower property values and give the town a blue-collar image.

"I'm a blue-collar worker and damn proud of it," said Minx. "America's made up of blue-collar workers, and they own a lot of pickups."

"Why should these holier-than-thou big shots be able to pass laws telling us what kind of vehicle to buy and where to park it?"

"Maybe it's time we told them where they can park it."

Newlyweds restage wedding for blundering photographer

Newlyweds Terry and Carol Birtley staged a complete rerun of their fancy-dress wedding — because the photographer forgot to take pictures the first time around.

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Evil mom forces son, 6, to drink himself to death

A merciless mom will go to prison in the bizarre death of her small son, whose brain nearly exploded — after he was forced to drink 16 pints of water.

Six-year-old Christopher West was being punished by his mother, Angela West, and her live-in boyfriend, Jon Crawford, for eating sherbert.

"The boy's brain swelled up to the point of bursting from the water. He lapsed into a coma and never came out," said medical examiner Thomas Clark.

For her part in the horrible crime, a judge in Burlington, N.C., sentenced Mrs. West, 30, to 12 years in prison for involuntary manslaughter. Crawford, 36, earlier had been sentenced to life in prison for murder.

"The boy was forced to drink the water over the course of a morning. His mother said he threw up a dozen times and

finally went into convulsions," said District Atty. Steve Balog.

Shocked jurors heard testimony was just one of many cruel punishments the youngster was forced to endure.

Christopher was forced to lie naked for hours in a cold bathtub and forced to drink hot pepper sauce, according to testimony.

A neighbor testified Mrs. West forced her son to stand outside wearing a diaper and holding a baby bottle and sign which read, "I told Mommy lies."

The mean mom and her boyfriend tried to convince the jabs they were trying to flush spoiled, rotten sherbert out of the boy's system with the 16 pints of water.

Four months before the youngster's horrible death, his mom and Crawford were accused of forcing him to drink hot sauce and eat soap.

— with water!

GENTLE Bigfoot visits Armand Loubet every Christmas Eve and brings him gifts of fresh meat.

Eve reunion Bigfoot

TRAPPER Armand Loubet



Dying man to bid final farewell to a gentle giant!

By JANET DAVIES

Fur trapper Armand Loubet will again keep a bizarre Christmas Eve rendezvous with a gentle Bigfoot who has visited his wilderness cabin on that holy night for the past 12 years!

The hairy, man-like creature will leave a gift of meat but only if Loubet makes certain that no animals suffer in the steel jaws of his traps on the day before Christ's birthday.

"Bigfoot is my friend," Loubet told newsmen after undergoing medical tests in Edmonton, Canada.

"But this might be the last year that I see him. The doctor said I had cancer two years ago and I've already lived longer than they expected. So I'll be at my cabin this Christmas Eve and I hope the Bigfoot will make one last visit."

As first reported in *The NEWS* in 1983, the incredible relationship between Loubet and the legendary beast of the wilderness began on the eve of Christmas in 1977, as Loubet was stacking firewood outside his cabin on the banks of the Peace River in northern Alberta. "The sun was just dip-

ping below the horizon," the 57-year-old trapper recalled. "The sky was a beautiful ice blue streaked with red and I had paused to look at it before going back to the cabin.

"Suddenly I felt as if someone was watching me. I felt eyes burning into my back," the trapper recalled.

"I turned and there he was, no more than 12 feet away ... a Bigfoot! At first I thought my eyes were playing tricks on me. There could be no such creature.

"But there he was, staring at me with eyes burning like red-hot coals.

"He was huge — at least eight feet tall. His entire body was covered in long, brown hair. Only his face was bare. "He just stood there looking at me. I thought he was about

to attack me. But then I saw he was holding out something to me. In one hand he held one of my traps. And in the other hand, he held the body of a dead squirrel.

"He dropped them in the snow and then just turned and walked away. The next day, I discovered that all my traps had been made useless. There was not an animal in any of them."

The following year, the bizarre incident was repeated and another steel-jawed trap and its lifeless victim were dropped at Loubet's feet on Christmas Eve. "But this time, the eyes of the beast were not blazing red with anger," Loubet said. "There was only a look of profound sorrow. That look haunted me for many months. Finally, I decided that I would make my traps harm-

less on the next Christmas Eve. I wanted to see if the creature would return to my cabin. He did."

But on this Christmas Eve 1979, the Bigfoot bore a gift — a solidly frozen deer.

"It obviously had been dead for some time," Loubet explained. "There was not a mark of injury on it. The meat was good and it would last me for many weeks."

"It was then that I fully realized that the Bigfoot had not wanted me to eat any animals on Christmas Eve. I have thought many times about it, and I still don't understand why or how a beast could have such feelings."

"But that is the way it has been ever since. No animals die in my traps on Christmas Eve and Bigfoot brings me his gift of thanks."

"It will be the same again this year. But it might be our final meeting. And though it may sound foolish, I just want to be there to say goodbye to an old friend. Perhaps he and I will meet again after I die — somewhere up yonder."

River turtles kill 3 people!

By MARTHA ATKINS

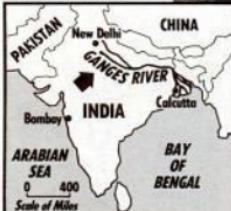
Bloodthirsty turtles released into a river to clean up pollution are attacking swimmers — and have killed at least three people!

Stunned scientists thought the turtles would eat flesh from the thousands of corpses dumped into India's Ganges River each year by religious pilgrims and wouldn't attack live humans. But the scientists were dead wrong.

"In three separate incidents, people have been pulled under the water and devoured by these man-eating beasts," said Rajesh Mohan, an official for the department of public works in Uttar Pradesh, India. "Their bones were picked clean in just a matter of minutes."

"And these are only the reported deaths. Who knows how many other unfortunate have been eaten that we don't know about?"

The creatures are a particularly bloodthirsty species of soft-shelled river turtle that was specially bred to pick the



ARROW indicates where the turtles claimed their victims. flesh from rotting corpses and make the water cleaner. The Ganges is India's most sacred river. Every year thousands of



CARNIVOROUS turtles were released into India's Ganges River to control the pollution caused by partially burned corpses dumped into the water by religious pilgrims.

partially burned corpses are dumped into it so their remains will be purified.

And hundreds of religious pilgrims visit the river daily to

swim and bathe in its holy waters.

Ram Jain, 33, was on a religious pilgrimage to the Ganges when he witnessed an attack.

"We were in the water when my son, Suman, 3, suddenly disappeared beneath the surface."

"I turned toward where he'd been standing only a moment before. I felt a sharp stinging sensation on my leg as if I were being bitten, but I ignored it in my concern for my son."

"Somehow I located him and pulled him to safety before he was eaten alive. As it was, his left foot was mangled so badly, it had to be amputated."

Officials are baffled about what to do. They've warned bathers of the danger but it doesn't do any good.

"They're still going to bathe there, no matter what the danger because it's a religious experience for them," said Mohan.

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35,000 letters of love

Dear old dad sends a note a day to each of his 6 kids — since 1973

By MARTHA ATKINS

Clifton "Slim" Surfus writes to each of his six kids every day — and he hasn't missed a day in 16 years!

That's over 35,000 letters just to his children alone! He's also written tens of thousands

"I started writing to the kids when they went away to college. And then they got married and moved away, so I just kept on writing," says Slim, who lives in Chicago, Ill.

"I write personalized notes to each one every day."

Slim and his wife, Frances, who passed away last December, were married for 55 wonderful years. Three of their children — Sharon, 50, Judy, 45, and Dawn, 33 — live close to him in Illinois. Two of his daughters, Wendy, 40 and

Holly, 35, live in Pennsylvania, and his son Gerald, 55, lives in Sarasota, Fla.

He's also got 14 grandchildren that he writes to, but not every day.

The retired steelworker sets aside a certain time each day to sit down and write his letters.

But he doesn't use regular stationery.

"We've all given him boxes of stationery to use, but he doesn't use it," says his oldest daughter, Sharon Carlson.

"He writes on the back of coupons and articles he's clipped. I've even gotten notes on the back of cash register re-

ceipts and programs from plays that he's seen."

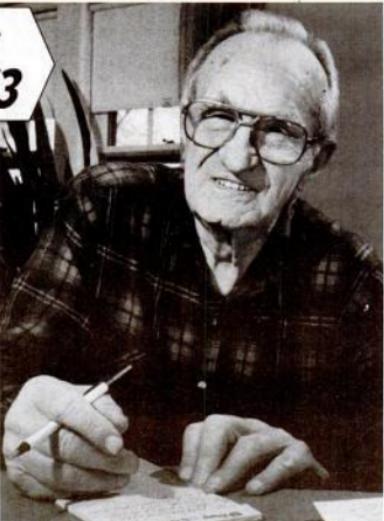
He tells his kids what's been happening to him and any thoughts that he's had during the day.

"And if a pen runs out of ink while he's writing, he sends you the pen with the letter," says his youngest daughter, Dawn Mulrow.

The letter-writing dad does not mail his letters in regular envelopes, either. He makes his own out of paper and seals them with Scotch tape all around.

His kids say they really look forward to getting their daily letters.

"I call him up if I don't get one and ask him what happened," said Dawn. "He says you'll get two tomorrow, then it's the post office's fault if we don't get one every day."



HE hasn't skipped a beat in 16 years! Dear dad "Slim" Surfus writes to each of his children every day!

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GIANT HOROSCOPE

By Countess Sophia Sabak



ARIES

Mar. 21-Apr. 19

Patience will be needed when dealing with someone who is consistently late.

Control your impulse to speak out, as the person is aware of the situation, and will soon correct it.

You are on anything but a winning streak this week, and could lose your shirt on an investment you are planning — so go slowly and very carefully.

A phone call brightens the weekend telling you that someone you like cares for you a lot.



TAURUS

Apr. 20-May 20

Romance is in the picture, and a happy decision concerning a long-time relationship may result.

The balance due on your credit card monthly statement is a shocker when you discover that your mate has made several secret and costly purchases.

Aguing relative's routine physical exam may turn up new problems, which will be relieved by a worry when all tests are negative.

A check is in the mail from an unexpected source.



GEMINI

May 21-June 20

Mixed planetary influences could play havoc with relationships this week.

Avoid in-laws like the plague, as a family row is high on the list of possible trouble spots.

You can expect a surprise package from out of state, and at least two letters containing happy news in the mail this week.

Door-to-door salesmen and solicitors for charitable funds could interfere with an otherwise relaxing weekend.



CANCER

June 21-July 22

You will finally realize there is no easy or instant way to lose that excess poundage you've accumulated. So decide on a sensible plan to eat less and exercise more.

A phone call from your relative's creditors puts you between a rock and a hard place.

Lighten up, it's not your problem. You should tell them to leave you out of it.

A promotion could come to those who work, and a raise will come with it.



LIBRA

Sept. 23-Oct. 22

The loss of a personal item may be in store for travelers this week. Check and double-check your suitcase for valuables before you start home. And to be on the safe side, carry traveler's checks instead of cash.

An embarrassing situation develops with a not-too-friendly acquaintance, and you are pleasantly surprised when they react with laughter, putting you at ease.

Postponed car repairs may catch up with you this weekend.



SCORPIO

Oct. 23-Nov. 21

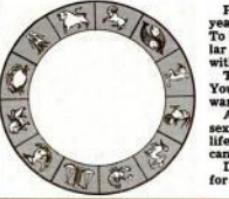
The green-eyed monster surfaces this week when someone receives something you've been angling for.

Make a real effort to be sincere in your congratulations, as behind-the-scenes forces are watching and working on your behalf. Your time is coming!

Tackling a construction project on the home front could result in minor injuries — so do be careful this week.

Expect a surprise visit from an old friend.

If your birthday is this week . . .



Planetary positions for the coming year are only partly favorable for health. To build up your resistance, start a regular exercise program and supplement it with proper eating and vitamins.

The streets will prove lucky for you. You'll find an object that brings you a reward or an opportunity for advancement.

A meeting with a person of the other sex sparks an idea that could change your life. Romance will favor you in ways you can't even imagine.

Driving becomes especially hazardous for you. Take extra care on highways.



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Your Lucky Lottery Numbers

Readers all over the country are using Countess Sabak's Lucky Lottery Numbers to help them win big bucks. You will find the Countess' Lucky Numbers right here each week to help you become a winner, too! To find your Lucky Numbers, simply look them up under your birth sign in the chart below. For extra luck, throw in your birth date.

Aries	Mar. 21 Apr. 19	7, 22, 30, 31, 39, 44	Libra	Sept. 23 Oct. 22	9, 14, 27, 32, 41, 43
Taurus	Apr. 20 May 20	4, 18, 26, 35, 40, 44	Scorpio	Oct. 23 Nov. 21	7, 14, 21, 28, 40, 49
Gemini	May 21 June 20	8, 10, 22, 29, 39, 47	Sagittarius	Nov. 22 Dec. 21	4, 20, 24, 33, 36, 39
Cancer	June 21 July 22	2, 8, 19, 21, 35, 47	Capricorn	Dec. 22 Jan. 19	3, 18, 19, 24, 36, 41
Leo	July 23 Aug. 22	10, 17, 19, 29, 33, 45	Aquarius	Jan. 20 Feb. 18	10, 16, 29, 39, 43, 48
Virgo	Aug. 23 Sept. 22	8, 12, 22, 31, 36, 44	Pisces	Feb. 19 Mar. 20	6, 14, 29, 32, 45, 46



LEO

July 23-Aug. 22

Satisfaction will be yours this week when an offspring brings home a great report card, and also accomplishments in the sports field that will fill you with pride.

Stress will take its toll by week's end, and plans may have to be changed when a minor health problem surfaces.

You have been selling yourself short.

Focus on your talents and abilities this week. They can be valuable assets in helping you to attain your goals.



VIRGO

Aug. 23-Sept. 22

A busy period on the home front can be expected with an unexpected visit by kin.

Frictions rise when your usually sunny and lighthearted mate has a sudden mood swing, and is depressed and uncooperative about weekend plans.

Help relieve the tension by having intimate dinners for two or taking long walks together with that special person.

A little understanding will go a long way.



SAGITTARIUS

Nov. 22-Dec. 21

Although money interests are dominant all week, Monday and Tuesday are the best days for taking positive action.

Wearing the color red will prove extremely lucky for those seeking love and romance at this time.

An unexpected bill shatters the budget and you may have to scrap plans for that short vacation, but the short-of-cash situation won't last long.

Your partner takes the romantic lead over the weekend.



CAPRICORN

Dec. 22-Jan. 19

Both you and your mate will be in an upbeat mood this week.

You should make the most of it by getting out and about and having fun.

If a short trip by car is part of your plans, pay close attention to details. Use seat belts and avoid heavily traveled highways.

A phone call will renew an old friendship and bring you welcome news about distant relatives.

A family worry will also be resolved happily this week.



AQUARIUS

Jan. 20-Feb. 18

Your mood is optimistic this week and you put your energy in the direction of cleaning out stuffed closets and the attic.

A meeting with another shopper in the local supermarket or convenience store sparks a conversation that may have surprising and romantic results.

This is a great time for gamblers, and bingo players will finally hit the jackpot. Wear green for luck!

It's a good time for earning extra money.



PISCES

Feb. 19-Mar. 20

A flash of insight this week helps you solve a nagging problem, so use your intuition and proceed confidently. You're finally on the right track.

An unexpected boost to your finances brightens your week.

You and your partner find yourselves caught up in all outstanding chores and projects. Reward yourself with a weekend of pure enjoyment and entertainment.

A friend brings welcome news that you've been hoping for.



On-the-job stress turns young gals into zombies

By KEITH BELLARS

Depression and anxiety are widespread in more than 70 percent of American companies — especially among women workers.

Stress affects about 25 percent of all employees, according to a Gallup poll of top officials and medical directors of 200 companies.

Women workers between 25 and 44 are most susceptible to mental health ills.

About 12 percent of women in that category suffer from sleeplessness, loss of concentration, lethargy and other serious disorders.

Campus funsters' nudie workout

Campus police surprised dozens of young men exercising in the early morning hours outside a sorority house — wearing T-shirts — and nothing else!

Temperatures were near freezing when the pranksters were discovered at North Dakota State University. Fargo police were alerted but by the time they reached the scene, everyone had fled the area.

No charges are expected to be filed.

— DOROTHY POLINI

MIRACLE OF



SEVEN YEARS AGO Michele had to wear a mask. "The amount of pain she put herself through was awful," said her doctor.

TOP POP PLATTERS OF THE 80s



NO. 2 ON THE 80s CHARTS:
Rock star Prince.

Rolling Stone magazine has named the best record albums of the 1980s. Here are the top 10:

1. London Calling, The Clash (1980).
2. Purple Rain, Prince (1984).
3. The Joshua Tree, U2 (1987).
4. Remain in Light, Talking Heads (1980).
5. Graceland, Paul Simon (1986).
6. Born in the U.S.A., Bruce Springsteen, (1984).
7. Thriller, Michael Jackson (1982).
8. Murmur, R.E.M. (1983).
9. Shoot Out the Lights, Richard and Linda Thompson (1982).
10. Tracy Chapman, Tracy Chapman (1988).



ASTOUNDING PROGRESS:
Michele is now able to live a normal life, say her doctors.

By SUSAN JIMISON

Michele Pigeon was known as "The Girl in the Iron Mask" because a bizarre mental disorder forced her to live strapped into a helmet — as protection against herself!

Today, the Bradenton, Fla., girl is a perfectly normal young woman, thanks to a dedicated doctor who cured her of her horrible disease. But she still bears the scars she got from smashing into walls, hitting herself in the face and trying to gouge out her eyes.

"Now she's charming, she's perfect," said the miracle worker, behavior modification expert Dr. Neil Slesig, who has worked with Michele for six long years. "She works hard, dresses beautifully and she's responsible and considerate."

"If I had a daughter, I'd want her to be like Michele is now. But in the 15 years I've worked with mental patients she's the most astounding case I've ever seen."

Michele first appeared in the pages of *The NEWS* back in November, 1982, after her behavior got so wild she had to be institutionalized. She was 15 years old then and her case was considered hopeless. A number of experts had given up on her.

Dr. Slesig began working with her in 1983 and realized within weeks that Michele had the worst case of autism he had ever seen. Michele had to be tied down because four or five people could barely keep her from lashing out at herself — or anyone who got in her way.

Within weeks, Dr. Slesig stopped tying her and simply wrestled her to a standstill when she tried to attack. Two years later, she was well enough to do without her helmet.

"It took enormous persistence and energy," the Miami psychologist recalled.

"The staff had to wrestle her from her own momentum. The amount of pain Michele put herself through was awful. She would hit herself thousands of times a day if you let her. She mutilated her face and destroyed the vision in one eye."

"Slowly and surely by talking to her, we shaped her thinking into normal lines and she learned she had to cooperate."

"In the early years, she dislocated my shoulder. She scratched, bit, kicked. Michele kicked me in the face. I looked like I was in a street fight. Today, if you see her and talk to her, you'd wonder why she's still in treatment."

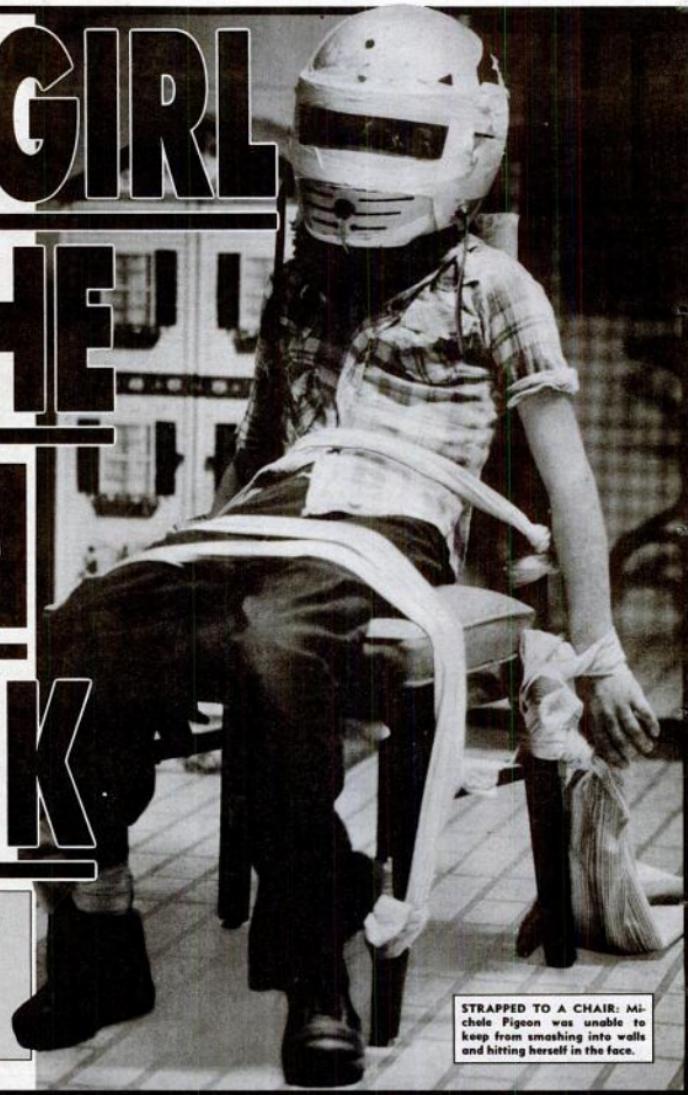
Michele lives at South Florida Hospital and Nursing Center in Ft. Lauderdale now and is continuing her treatment with Dr. Slesig. Her parents hope to move her closer to

THE GIRL IN THE IRON MASK

**Tormented teen
wins battle for
her freedom**

home soon and are making arrangements to bring her to a family near San Antonio.

"She has to be around people that understand how she can have problems again," explained Dr. Sleisig. "She has to be in a positive environment."



STRAPPED TO A CHAIR: Michele Pigeon was unable to keep from smashing into walls and hitting herself in the face.

Con uses wooden leg to dig out of prison

A crafty crook nearly broke out of jail by digging through his cell wall with his artificial leg!

Steven Messervy, 27, who is awaiting

trial on attempted murder charges in San Antonio, Tex., dug his way through the bricks of the outer wall of his cell before he was caught trying to escape.

"He used a wooden leg," said Sheriff

Harien Copeland. "He took the metal brace off his wooden leg and used it."

Officials also found a pile of sheets under Messervy's bed. They believe he was planning to use them in his escape bid.

